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LINCOLN EXPRESS TRAGEDY

Six boys of Ampleforth College, Yorkshire, were killed and seven injured when they jumped from a blazing coach at the rear of the midday London-Newcastle express yesterday near Claypole, Lincolnshire.

TWO SONS OF THE BELGIAN PRIME MINISTER, M. PIERLOT, ARE REPORTED TO BE AMONG THE KILLED. AND ANOTHER SON WAS AMONG SEVERAL BOYS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL SUFFERING FROM BURNS.

Official account of the tragedy says the coach next to the rear brake van caught fire.

The train was stopped and every effort made to extinguish the fire but the coach immediately in front and the brake van behind caught fire before the train could be uncoupled and cleared of the blazing coach.

The coach in which the fire started was reserved for 64 Ampleforth College boys, and a number of them jumped from the train before it could be brought to a standstill.—Reuter.

MURDER OF FAMILY ALLEGED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") EASER GIBSON, 32-YEAR-OLD FARMER AND RELIGIOUS FANATIC, WAS CHARGED AT MOBILE (ALABAMA) YESTERDAY WITH THE MURDER OF HIS WIFE AND THEIR FIVE CHILDREN.

The mother and the children, aged from seven months to seven years, were found burned to death in the ruins of a farmhouse near Mobile.

Officials believe they were dead before the house was set on fire. Gibson refused to make a statement.—International News Service.

COMMUNAL CLASH AT CAWNPORE

A CLASH BETWEEN MUSLIMS AND HINDUS OCCURRED IN A BUSY PART OF CAWNPORE YESTERDAY.

Police fired on the mob and 10 were wounded.

The situation is tense and the District Magistrate has banned an assembly of more than five persons.

The situation in Bombay city shows improvement and Ahmedabad quiet.—Reuter.

Attack Believed Stalled To East Of Sollum

TROOPS FROM GREECE REACH ALEXANDRIA

The Rome newspapers yesterday stated that the first contingents of the British Expeditionary Force in Greece have disembarked at Alexandria, says a Rome despatch to Vichy quoted by Reuter.

JAPANESE PLANS IN INDO-CHINA

The possibility that Japan will shortly launch upon penetration of southern Indo-China, including Saigon and Camranh Bay, is suggested by foreign observers in Shanghai to-day.

These observers think the time has come when Japan, for psychological reasons, may be expected to attempt to show some fruits from the Soviet Pact and Mr. Masuoka's visit to Berlin in the way of southward expansion.

They believe the sudden Japanese press campaign against Saigon and southern Indo-China may be the forerunner of such an expansion.—Reuter.

RALLYING POLES OF AMERICA

THE VISIT OF GENERAL SIKORSKI, POLISH PRIME MINISTER, TO AMERICA HAS CONTRIBUTED IN THE HIGHEST DEGREE TO STIMULATE THE WAR EFFORT OF 5,000,000 POLES, DECLARED POLISH CIRCLES IN NEW YORK YESTERDAY.

His appeals to Poles in America to help the British and Allied cause have been heard by large and enthusiastic audiences in New York, Chicago, Detroit and Buffalo.—Reuter.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") BRITISH WARSHIPS AND MOTORISED TROOPS ARE FIGHTING SAVAGELY TO STEM A MULTI-HEADED ITALO-GERMAN DRIVE WHICH IS ACKNOWLEDGED TO HAVE CROSSED THE EGYPTIAN FRONTIER NEAR SOLLUM (WHICH IS BELIEVED TO HAVE FALLEN) AND TO HAVE PENETRATED TO THE REGION OF SIDI BARRANI.

While warships heavily shelled Axis forces advancing along the sea road, Cairo military circles said British land forces are harassing the enemy's flanks.

Latest issued Cairo communique suggests that the attack has been stalled well short of Sidi Barrani.

There is no indication that the Italian and German forces are advancing southward through Egypt.—International News Service.

Reuter quotes authoritative quarters in Cairo as stating last night that it is believed that Sollum, which is a frontier post, is in enemy hands following the thrust across the Egyptian border from Libya at the weekend.

Great satisfaction is felt in Cairo military circles at the fall of Dessie, in northern Abyssinia, which is on the main road from Addis Ababa.

Road Junction

Dessie is also at the junction of the road leading north-west to Gondar, where the Italians still hold out, and that running north-east to the Red Sea port of Assab.

The Italian forces defending Dessie were actually defeated at Kombolcha Pass, 14 miles to the south.

IT IS POSSIBLE THAT PART OF THE DESSIE GARRISON HAS WITHDRAWN TOWARDS GONDAR, WHICH IS NORTH OF LAKE TANA.

Meanwhile, according to the German radio last night, the Germans had great difficulty in finding the British force which carried out a destructive raid on the Libyan port of Bardia.

Call For Help

The announcer described how detachments of Storm Troops were sent out in pitch darkness following a call for help from a German wireless car.

The car was found empty but there was no sign of the British. Suddenly there were heavy detonations from several places.

The announcer claimed that eventually one major, two captains and 65 other ranks were captured.—Reuter.

ISLAND RAMPART OF LIBERTY

"Destiny has chosen two islands as the last but worthy rampart of the free peoples of Europe—the great island of Britain and this Greek island," declared the Greek Prime Minister, M. Tsouderos, in a speech at Candia (Crete) yesterday.

"The people of these islands are fighting the supreme battle of liberty. A black flood has swept over Europe. Humanity has known in the past similar barbaric invasions but the civilisation of free men has always prevailed.

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The 5,000-ton German Hamburg-America freighter IDARWALD was recently intercepted by a patrolling British warship off Cuba. The German crew at once scuttled their ship, set her on fire and took to their boats. The British ship fought the fires and took the IDARWALD in tow, but she shortly afterwards had to be cast off and sank. The blazing bridge of the IDARWALD burns furiously, but the fire is brought under control. The German freighter however, is gradually sinking as her sea-cocks have been destroyed and cannot be closed.

MAYNARD KEYNES TO MAKE OFFICIAL TRIP TO WASHINGTON

THE FAMOUS BRITISH ECONOMIST, MR. J. M. KEYNES, MEMBER OF THE ECONOMIC ADVISORY COUNCIL, IS MAKING A BRIEF VISIT TO WASHINGTON AT THE REQUEST OF THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER.

He will confer with the United States Administration and the British Supply Council on the operation of the Lease and Lend Act and other related matters.

The name Keynes has been much before the British public since the outbreak of war in connection with his plans for compulsory savings, aimed at curtailing private expenditure.

General idea of this plan was borrowed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer in his new Budget, which provides for crediting to taxpayers a portion of their Income Tax for use by them after the war.

Mr. Keynes was a Civil Servant for 13 years and is now back at the Treasury. He drafted some intricate agreements for the Inter-Allied loans in the last War and was the Treasury's principal adviser at the Peace Conference. — Reuter.

THE VON WERRA INCIDENT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE GERMAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY DIFFERENTIALLY ACCUSED THE U.S. GOVERNMENT OF VIOLATING INTERNATIONAL LAW IN ITS TREATMENT OF GERMAN PRISONERS WHO HAVE ESCAPED TO AMERICAN SOIL FROM INTERNMENT IN CANADA.

The Nazi Embassy contested the treatment by Federal officials of von Werra, the German air ace, and challenged American right, as a neutral, to apply its domestic immigration laws to such German nationals.

They contend that von Werra acted within his international rights in fleeing the United States by jumping his \$10,000 bond. — International News Service.

WAR ZONE COURTS

War zone courts, to operate in any area invaded or heavily bombarded, have been formally established throughout England and Wales.

An Order was made yesterday by Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Minister of Home Security, under the Defence Regulations, dividing the country into 12 districts broadly corresponding to the civil defence regions.

A number of High Court judges will be appointed to act as presidents of the courts, which cannot function until an area has been declared a war zone by the Minister of Home Security.

Only cases of crime, calling for speed, will be dealt with, and a panel of judges will review death sentences or other cases where the president of a court has certified there should be a review. — Reuter.

CUSTOMS ABOARD "TOMISLAV"

AN EARLY SETTLEMENT IS EXPECTED OF THE ITALIAN SEIZURE IN SHANGHAI OF THE YUGOSLAV STEAMER "TOMISLAV."

Following Japanese-Italian discussions eight members of the Chinese Maritime Customs police boarded the steamer yesterday and will share watch with the Italian guards until the incident is settled. — Reuter.

GERMANY THINKING OF COLONIES!

Preparations are being made to form a German Colonial Ministry, said the Wilhelmstrasse spokesman yesterday, Germany regarding her colonial claims as "irrevocable." — Reuter.

NORWAY'S LEADERS GAOLED

Included in the latest list of 143 political prisoners in Oslo's principal gaol are many well-known Norwegians — ship-owners, editors, teachers and a supreme court judge.

This is according to the Norwegian telegraph agency in London yesterday, which adds the gaol also holds two British prisoners of war and several German and Spanish refugees.

The prisoners also include three German S.S. men and a German major, apparently as a result of frequent internal quarrels in the German civil and military forces. — Reuter.

RICE SOARS TO NEW HIGH LEVEL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Despite the Shanghai Municipal Council announcement that it will ship rice from Hong Kong and sell to retailers at cost, in order to relieve the food crisis, number one Saigon rice soared \$10 per zah over the week-end, reaching an all-time high of \$138 per zah. Other grades increased accordingly. — International News Service.

MR. CHURCHILL STIRS AMERICA

"Only Shot And Shell Can Halt Conquest"—Mr. Bullitt

Provision Of Convoys May Soon Become Live Issue

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

OFFICIALDOM IN Washington greeted with mixed sentiments Mr. Churchill's assurances that American patrol ships would enter actual combat zones.

The United States capital got its first specific definition of this measure in the British Prime Minister's worldwide radio address.

Giving thanks to President Roosevelt for his announcement that the neutrality patrol would be extended wherever necessary to assure the security of the western hemisphere, Mr. Churchill provided information that U. S. warships would operate "outside the combat zones."

This has encouraged the non-interventionists in Washington, while some Administration supporters even advocate the virtual delivery of war goods to Britain.

Make Victory Sure

Mr. Sol Bloom, terming Mr. Churchill's speech a "calm and courageous review of the situation," said President Roosevelt must make "unflinching" use of his powers to "insure that victory is put in England's hands."

Mr. William Bullitt, former Ambassador to France, in a speech urged that cargoes be "delivered" to England as well as China.

Mr. Bullitt warned that only "shot and shell" can halt or alter world conquest and America is ready to fight for her freedom.—International News Service.

Battle Under Way

The battle for convoys for Britain is now fully under way, says Reuter, and Mr. Churchill's broadcast is widely regarded in Washington as changing the idea of "give us tools" to "deliver us tools."

A request made by Mr. John D. Rockefeller Jr. for convoys, and Mr. William Bullitt's impassioned plea for all aid at the risk of war, are other powerful blows in favour of convoys.

Various pro-Allied committees throughout the United States have also joined the cry.

A new organisation called the "Fight for Freedom Committee" has been formed, sponsored by prominent writers, journalists, lawyers, members of filmdom, advertisers and others.

Test To-morrow

This body is urging that all should write to their Congressmen saying the Fleet should control the Atlantic and convoy food and war materials, otherwise the Lease and Lend Act cannot be made effective.

Congressional opinion will become apparent when a resolution forbidding convoys comes before the Senate Committee on Wednesday.

This is expected to be defeated, and this decision, though negative, will help renew the public call for convoys, which most well-informed people in Washington believe must come soon.—Reuter.

COAL STRIKE DEADLOCK

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Mr. William Davis, chairman of the Mediation Board, announced in Washington yesterday that negotiations for settlement of the 28-day soft coal shutdown had reached a deadlock.

Mr. Davis said the differences were practically insoluble, with southern operators refusing to yield.—International News Service.

VICAR IS A FARMER

The Vicar of Satley, a hamlet in the County Durham hills, is also a farmer. In his backyard he has a dozen ducks, two geese, a pair of chickens and a couple of goats.

Soon guinea fowls will be added to the stock, and possibly even a cow.

But the fifty-year-old vicar's main farming line is pigs. With the aid of his wife this farmer-churchman, the Rev. Eric W. Wale, has begun a pig club in the village.

Already there are a dozen members in the club and they have about twenty pigs.

The members grow most of their own pig food. When a porker is slaughtered half of it goes to market, but most of the remainder is distributed round the parish.

Self-Supporting

"You cast your pig upon the waters, but it comes back to you in no time," says the vicar.

"The village is self-supporting in many foods—it has to be, because in bad weather we are cut off from civilisation for days at a time."

"We can produce a completely home-grown meal—potatoes and runner beans from the garden, pig in any form, and, for a sweet, black currants, also grown in the garden. There are leeks, too, if we want them."

In the neighbouring village of Tow Law the Rev. William Millburn combines the hobbies of pig-keeping and astronomy. And by wartime standards, he is one of the richest men in the country—last year his garden produced a crop of 1,400 onions.

FUNERAL MONEY WILL BE NAZI'S

FOR TWENTY YEARS A GILLINGHAM, KENT, WOMAN HAS STEADILY SAVED HER SPARE COPPERS SO THAT SHE MIGHT NOT HAVE TO BE BURIED A PAUPER.

A week ago guns roared as Nazi raiders passed over her home and they gave her a new idea. She would give her money to help win the war.

Dressed in black, the old woman—now nearly eighty—knocked nervously at the door of the Mayor of Gillingham's home and handed the Mayor's ten £1 notes. It was her "funeral money."

Rather embarrassed she told her story. "I just want to help win the war," she said. "Use the money the best way. The funeral can look after itself." And without giving her name she walked away.

The Mayor has decided to hand the £10 to the Spitfire fund.

FULL SUPPORT OF AUSTRALIA

The acting Australian Prime Minister, Mr. A. W. Fadden, has cabled Mr. Churchill "You have the full support of Australia in your great work." This is according to newspaper reports from Sydney last night, states Reuter.

TEA LEAVES CAN BE RESTORED

Tests will determine whether or not Britain can be made virtually independent of tea imports.

A group of British scientists claim to have discovered a process whereby spent tea leaves can be restored to their original form.

Negotiations taking place as a result of which the War Office are expected to put at the disposal of the scientists tins of used leaves for a final test.

Recently it was revealed that the War Office Directorate of Research were trying to find if some use could be made of used tea leaves, of which the British Army at home produce something like 16 tons a day.

A Harley Street research expert read the report, and at once recalled that some years ago he had been associated with researches which had provided a solution to the problem.

He immediately got in touch with the War Office Directorate of Research.

Expert's Claim

"We claim that by our process tea leaves can be made not only as good as they were before the tea was made, but better," he said.

"Not only that, the process can also be applied to ordinary unused leaves, with the result that they will go four times as far as they normally do."

"In other words, the present ration of 2oz. per head per week can be made to go as far as 1½lb."

Grade II

"The tea produced by this method—and which we propose calling Grade II tea—could be sold at about 1s. 11b."

"This would save the country millions of pounds a year in money, as well as much shipping space."

"The original research was carried out in 1929 by a Cambridge scientist, a Glasgow University chemist and a doctor, who was a dietetic expert."

"They discovered that when tea is made in the ordinary way all the really valuable products remain behind in the leaves, and all that is extracted is some colouring matter, a few gums and a certain amount of the stimulant, thein."

"A detailed analysis resulted in certain substances, which are definitely beneficial as medicines, being extracted from the tea."

"We found a way, not only of restoring used leaves to their normal state, but of improving them so that these beneficial products are also extracted by the hot water when the tea is made."

Ready Now

"All that we have to do to the leaves is to dry them and add certain catalysts—substances which bring about chemical changes and transmute food values—and the result is Grade II tea."

"We are now willing to sign a contract to take from the War Office all the tea leaves they can let us have."

"The process is a simple and inexpensive one, and there are factories in existence where it can be carried out."

"We are ready at once to begin production of Grade II tea."

AS LONG AS BRITAIN STANDS

During a review of the war situation yesterday, the Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, warned the Canadian House of Commons there would be more reverses on land and sea "but as long as Britain stands no reverse will be decisive."

—Reuter.

JAPAN AND AUSTRALIA

Japan has no intention of moving against Australia, declared Mr. Kawai, Japanese Minister to Australia, in a reply in Melbourne yesterday to recent statements made in Melbourne.

He said it was the ambition of the Japanese to expand trade relations between the two countries.

Mr. Kawai called on the Australian Labour leader, Mr. Curtin, and had over one hour's conversation.

Mr. Curtin afterwards said they had a full and frank discussion of international affairs, and he would return Mr. Kawai's call.—Reuter.

GIFT OF AUSTRALIA TO GREECE

PRESENTING THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF GREECE, M. VRISAKIS, WITH A CHEQUE FOR £50,000, THE PROCEEDS OF GREEK DAY APPEAL IN SYDNEY, THE PREMIER OF NEW SOUTH WALES, MR. ALEXANDER MAIR, SAID YESTERDAY THAT NONE IN THEIR RIGHT SENSES WOULD HAVE DOUBTED THE EMPIRE WOULD AID GREECE.

Expressing gratitude to Australia for giving all possible support to Greece, M. Vrisakis added the Anzacs fought with undaunted courage beside the valiant Greek Army. Their mutual sacrifice would not be in vain.—Reuter.

FIRM TONE ON STOCK EXCHANGE

The London Stock Exchange was firmly held yesterday, heartened by the Premier's speech, but business was very quiet, being largely confined to gilt-edged, which were unchanged on the day. Among industrials, Cable and Wireless were strong and motors and some steel's slightly higher. Oils were quiet, Attock and Anglo-Iranian being lower, while Kaffirs were idle. In the foreign market Egyptian Unified were firm. Wall Street was hesitant.—Reuter.

LARGEST CONVOY OF THE WAR

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

It was revealed in London yesterday that the American volunteers for the R.A.F., Empire air-men, naval units and military specialists who have arrived in England, crossed the Atlantic in the largest convoy since war began.—International News Service.

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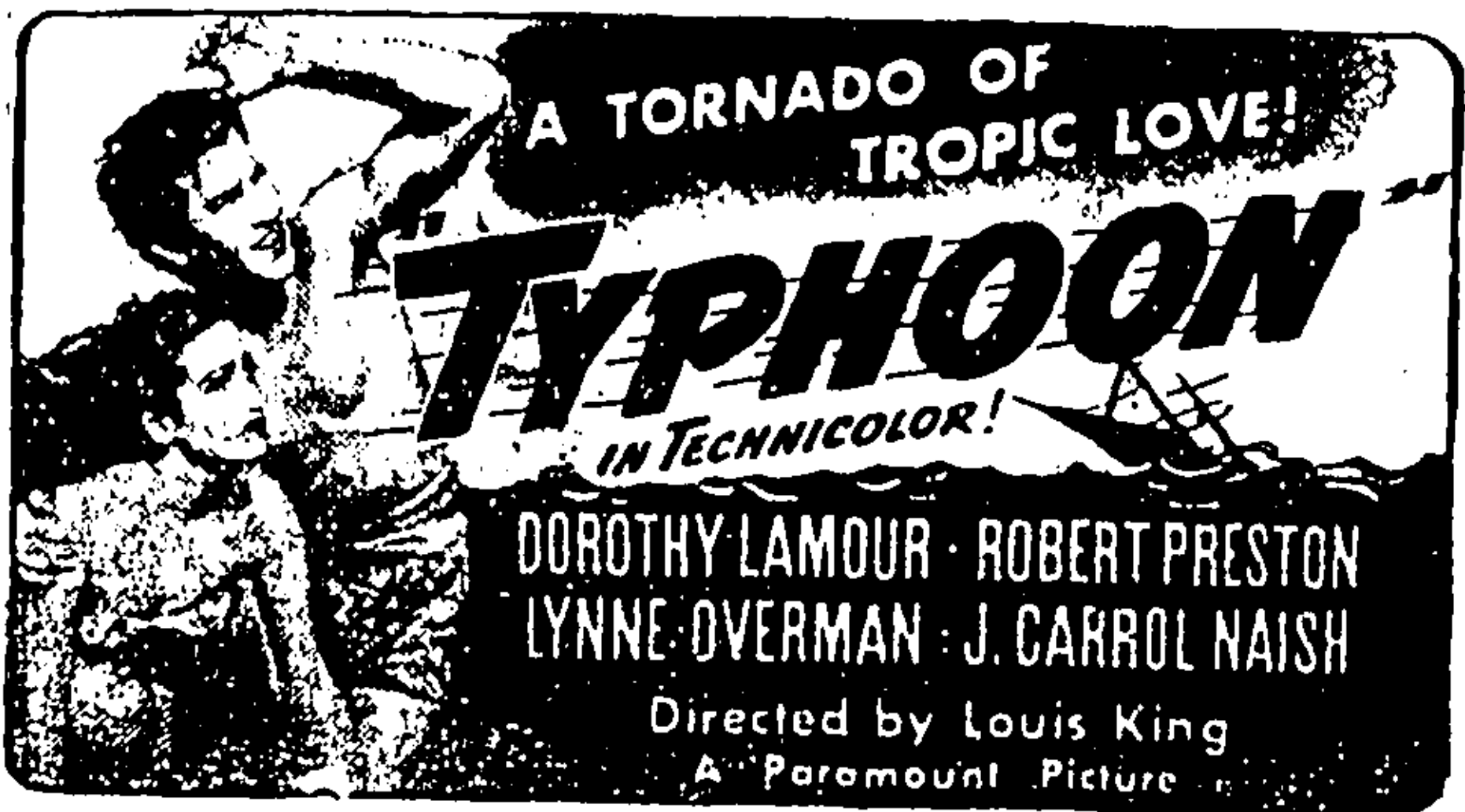


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DELICATE SITUATION ARISING AT DJIBOUTI

FREE FRENCH FORCES, supported by British motorised units, are massed on the southern frontier of French Somaliland, particularly in the neighbourhood of Daouenle station, on the Djibouti-Addis Ababa railway, according to a despatch from Djibouti, capital of French Somaliland, to Vichy yesterday.

The official French news agency says the French Government has issued the "necessary instructions" and that "there can be no question of our colony entering into negotiations with the Free French."

The agency adds that other Free French forces are believed to have landed in Zeila, in the northern part of British Somaliland.

In London, Free French Headquarters state the Vichy Government is circulating rumours concerning Free French forces, supported by British Headquarters of the Free French Forces in London believe this news, issued by Vichy, should be accepted with reserve.

Spontaneous Movement

It has every appearance of being news of a spontaneous movement in the midst of the French garrison itself at Djibouti, the feelings of whom and of the population have been known for a long time to be favourable to Free France.

It will be remembered, state Free French Headquarters, that following the armistice, Djibouti was one of the first French possessions to send out a call for resistance.—Reuter.

AWARDS TO 4 BRAVE BOYS

Four Essex youths have been awarded the Cadet Gallantry Medal for air raid heroism.

They are Corpl. Norman Davies, seventeen, paint tester; Corpl. Geoffrey Wade, eighteen, jewellery salesman; Corpl. Frederick Edwards, seventeen, Post Office messenger, and Cadet Morris, seventeen—all members of the Ilford Air Defence Cadet Corps.

While guarding their headquarters they saw incendiaries fall on neighbouring buildings. Wade, Edwards and Morris broke into the threatened premises and extinguished the bombs, and Davies, a first-aid worker, tended their cuts and burns when they returned.

TRAPPED BY REMARK TO CLERK

A casual remark made to a counter-clerk in a small Post Office in Scotland led to Ralph Ian Smith, twenty-five, a soldier, pleading guilty at the Old Bailey to obtaining money by means of forged Post Office Savings Bank books and withdrawal forms.

Smith was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment. The total sum involved was £60.

Detective-Sergeant Pocock said that Smith told the clerk that he had come from Croydon. Later all the records of those who had left Croydon were examined and Smith was arrested.

GANGSTER GUNS V. EUROPE'S GANGSTERS

Britain's soldiers may soon be using guns that are how the pride of Mike the Mercene, Bill the Bad, Weasel-Faced Willie and Fatist Frankie. Under existing laws, guns seized from America's bad men are taken out to sea and dumped overboard. To-day an amendment was proposed for the Lease and Lend Bill to provide that they be sent in future to England.

BRITAIN'S OLDEST LINCENSEE

I called for a glass of ale at a "local" near Brighton Station, and was served by a sprightly woman of 91 with white, bobbed hair and wearing a black satin dress.

She was Mrs. Emma Rout, believed to be Britain's oldest licensee. She has held the bar licence since the death several years ago of her husband, known locally as "Cigar Charlie," because he was never without a cigar.

In between cooking she serves daily in the bar. She has 15 great-grand-children.

Although her eyesight is not what it used to be, she still throws a pretty dart.

A railwayman came in while I was there. "Pint of beer, Granny, please," he called.

Mrs. Rout pulled the beer and set the pint glass down on the counter without spilling a drop. "Have one?" invited the railwayman.

"I don't mind if I do," she answered coyly. "I'll have a pint to keep you company."

The railwayman raised his glass. "Good luck," he said.

"Here's the skin off your nose," replied Granny.

ON LEAVE AS BOMB WIPES OUT FAMILY

SAILORMAN LESLIE GEORGE HOOK, HOME ON LEAVE, WAS WARMLY WELCOMED BY HIS WIFE DORCAS, AND THEIR THREE-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER DELPHINE IN A SOUTH-WEST COAST TOWN.

Then the town had a short but sharp raid as the young father was emerging from his front door.

Rescue parties found him dead outside his home. There was no sign of his wife and daughter—until the morning, when salvage workers discovered the body of Mrs. Hook, with little Delphine clasped in her arms, on the roof of a house on the opposite side of the road.

Hitler's bombs had hurled mother and baby to death. By their side were Mr. F. Field, Mrs. Hook's father. Mrs. Field, too, was killed.

The family's house was the only one to receive a direct hit.

BOMBED OUT AT 102

Bombed out of his home, Mr. John Meredith Beale Evans, Birmingham's oldest man, has died in his 103rd year at the home of a granddaughter in Hall Green, Birmingham.

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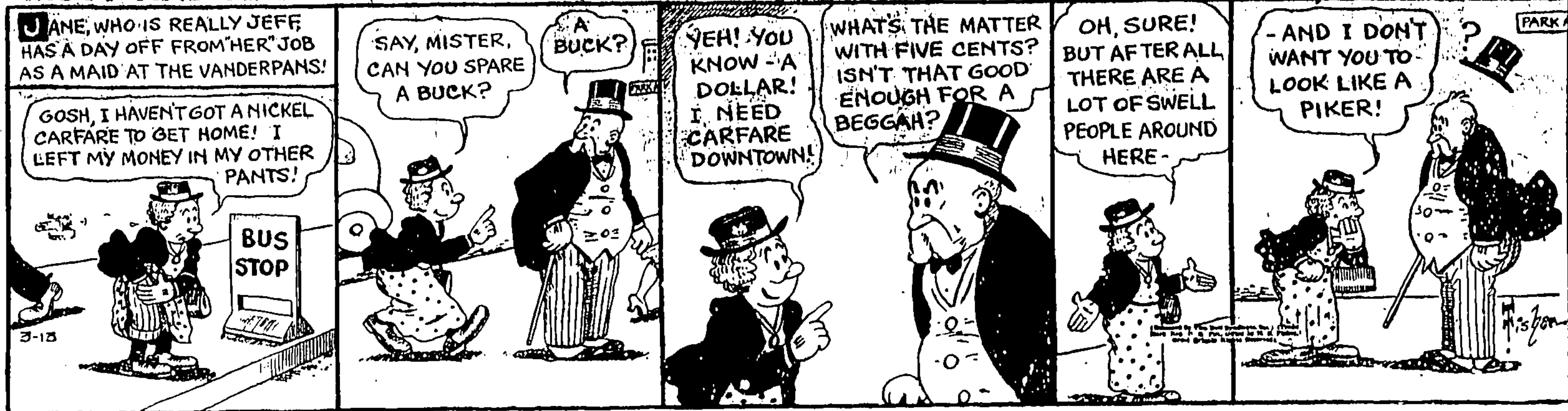


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As a result, it is argued, urgent correspondence would secure a better service.

Non-urgent twopenny letters would not exceed 2oz. and would be posted on weekdays after 8 a.m. They would be called "Till Victory" letters.

The scheme is outlined by Mr. Edwin Wells, honorary secretary and founder of the league, in the "Empire Review."

He suggests that the scheme could be applied to other correspondence.

A former Postmaster-General, Mr. C. R. Attlee, is president of the league. Supporters of the plan include Mr. J. B. Priestley, Mr. H. G. Wells and Mr. F. Handley Page.

THEY CALL HIM SO-AND-SO

Clerk of the Court to deaf relative of a boy summoned at Hastings Juvenile Court: "So you're his great-uncle. Is that what they call you?"

"They call me anything now I can't hear," the man replied.

FATHER-SON: 1789-1941

"LIFE GOES ON" - BY S. BARON

Go back in your mind to 1789, to the year of the French Revolution. New ideas were moving with enormous force in the world. Voltaire had been dead only 11 years. In England there was a division. While the Prince Regent and Mrs. Fitzherbert strutted at Brighton and denounced the French mobs, Pitt looked across the Channel kindly and Tom Paine fanned revolt higher.

Amid all this, a Jewish child, Jakob Buchholz, was born in a crooked house in the Bavarian village of Burg Haslach. His father brought him to Hanover and he grew up a faithful subject of the Ernest August, Duke of Cumberland and the Hanoverian King. In the King's Army he served as a private, wearing the quaint State uniform. During childhood and youth he saw as children do now the terror that marched through Europe in the wake of a great army.

From the Netherlands to Italy a dictator ruled. Spain was under his control. Only on the African continent had he had a major setback. Jakob heard the old men talking round the pump at Burg Haslach and at the inn-dors Hanover, and they said that England was without a friend in the world.

Now return to 1941. Yesterday I went out to a little house in

Watford and talked with an old man, a little bent but vigorous, who fled to England from Hanover in 1939. Yes, his name was Buchholz, too. Not the great-grandson, nor the grandson, but the son of Jakob. From a narrow brown case he brought out a birth certificate dated May 9, 1861. "Julius Buchholz," it read, "son of Jakob Buchholz, born 1789." From under a litter of papers he fished out a copy of a statement issued by the German State Archives Department. It recorded the awarding of a medal to his father for fighting at the Battle of Waterloo.

"We was very proud," he says of the medal. "It hang on my brother's wall. It was very good history."

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When Buchholz the Elder came back from the wars he was given a permit to build a little house in a street in Hanover, not within the ghetto. For 40 years he lived there happily and without molestation. His only sorrow was that he had no children. Then, when his first wife died, he married again, and became, amid chaff and congratulation, the father of three fine children. Julius, the last, was born in his father's 72nd year. His mother, Friederike, taught the child history in a way it seldom is. She showed him his father's medal and old records and told him stories of the old great days of the Kingdom of Hanover.

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Like Jakob, Julius wished only to live a peaceful life. He, too, had a little house in Hanover and built up a fine business, making cotton overalls.

Unfortunately, one of the few things that Friederike had failed to teach was that history has a way of producing remorseless, bitter repetitions.

Events caught up old Julius. took him by the neck, and in November, 1938, in his 78th year, flung him into Buchenwald concentration camp. He was allowed to leave Germany some six months later. Now, with his 75-year-old wife named Hemmy, he lives in a single room.

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He likes a stranger to come in sometimes, so that he can bring out his documents and show how Jakob, his father, had won a fine medal by helping to beat Napoleon. "You see," he says, "he was an ally of Britain. He fought by your soldiers' sides. They were comrades together."

Old Hemmy works at her stove and sometimes thinks of her children, whom she has not seen for nearly two years now, and her grandchildren, who may soon be going to America. Then she begins to cry gently, while stirring her pots.

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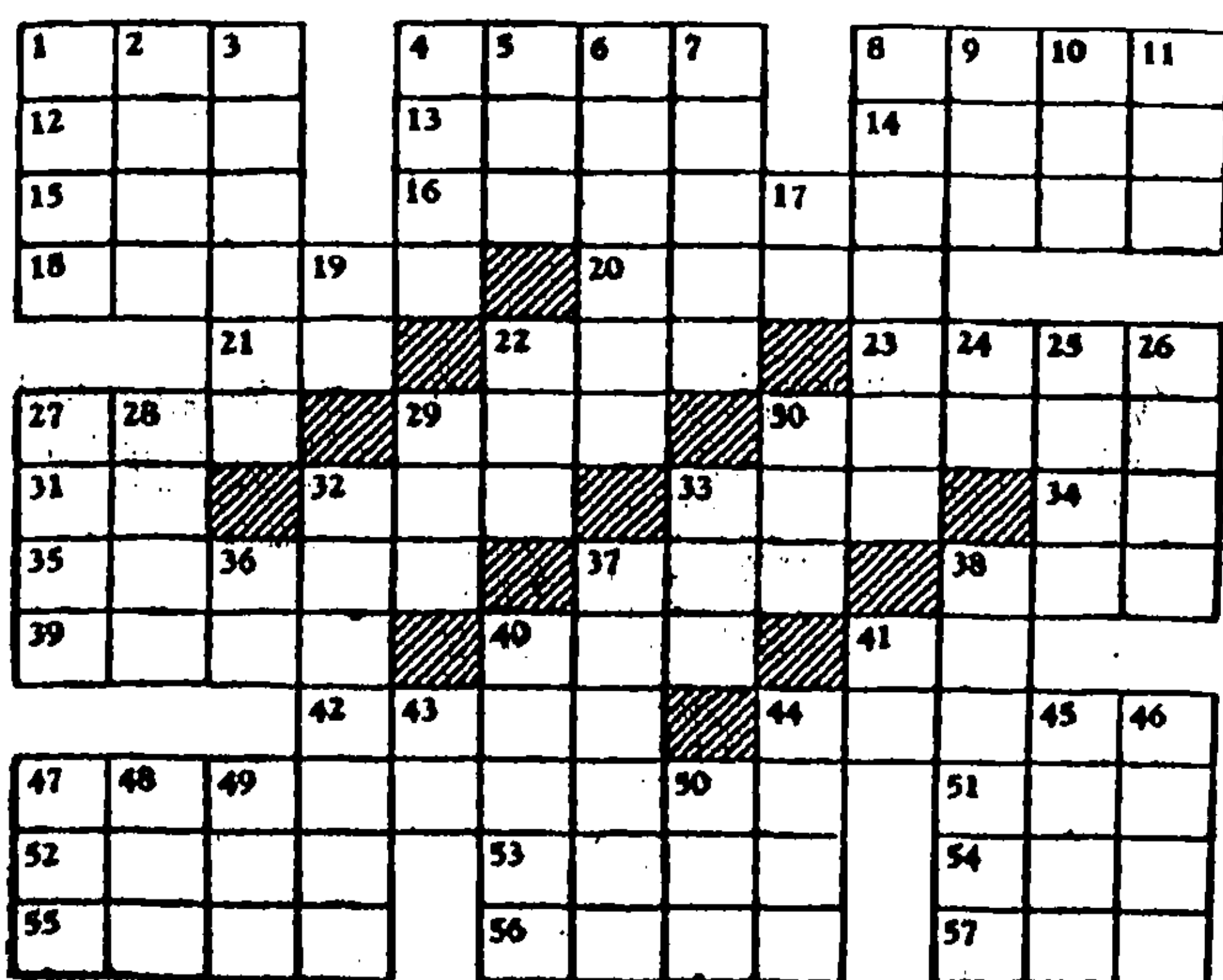
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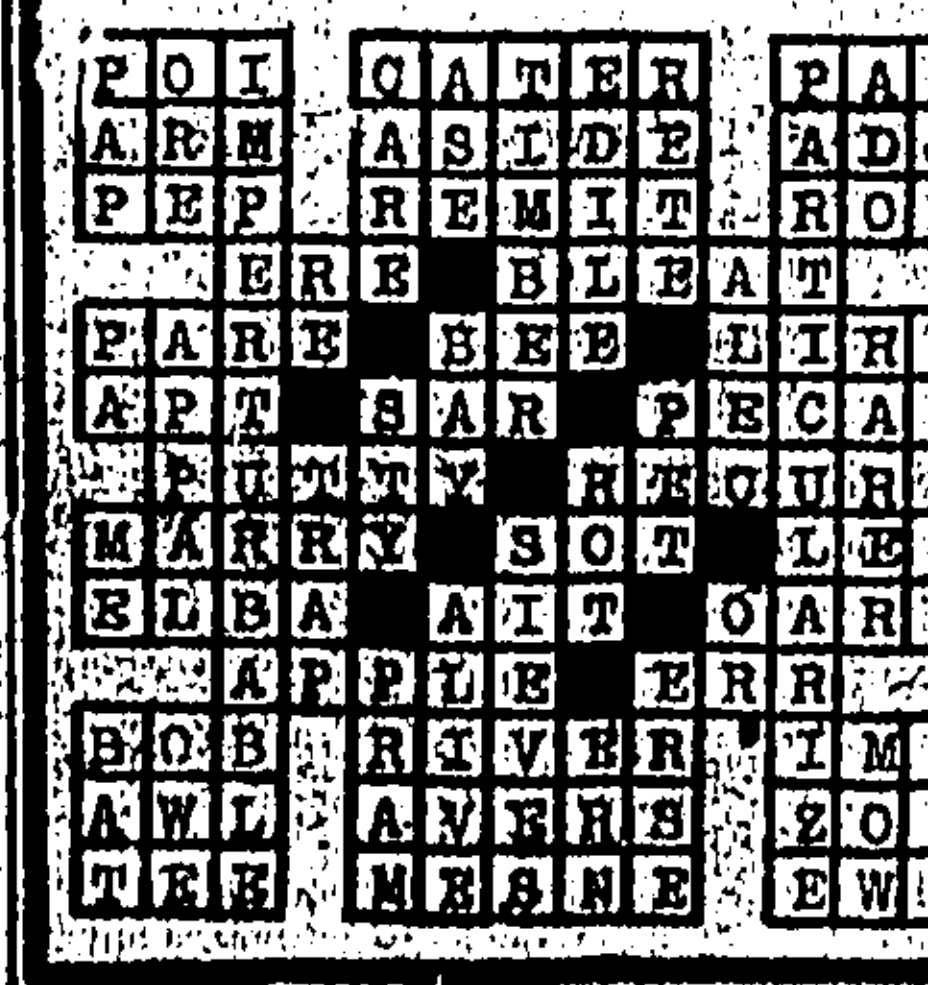
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Worm
- 4 South American rodent
- 6 Soaks
- 12 Nothing
- 13 In a line
- 14 Leg joint
- 15 Palm leaf
- 16 Anxious
- 18 Pertaining to the sun
- 20 Neat
- 21 King of Bashan
- 22 Cost
- 23 Principal
- 27 Slang: to flee
- 29 Distant
- 30 To stop
- 31 Spanish article
- 32 Carpet
- 33 Evil
- 34 Four
- 35 Consumed
- 36 Put on
- 37 Bear Grylls' mother
- 38 Share
- 39 Roman bronze
- 41 Land measure
- 42 To endure
- 44 Male relative

VERTICAL

- 1 Man's name
- 2 Storage place for grain
- 3 Skiing race
- 4 Couple
- 5 Upper limb
- 6 Mineral
- 7 Cognizant
- 8 Passed over the surface of
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EX-TYPIST DIRECTOR

SPENT ALL TO SAVE HER NAME

MISS DOREEN GRANT GIBBONS, 32-years-old ex-typist director of Metal and Electro-Chemical Products, Ltd., walked from the Old Bailey dock clutching a soldier's tunic button, a five-shilling piece, and a black-cat brooch in the pocket of her fur coat. They were good-luck charms, given her by friends. The black cat was the gift of a prison wardress.

This young woman, who became a shorthand-typist at 18 when her widowed mother was penniless, who put her career before marriage and became the breadwinner of her family, had just been bound over for having financial and commercial dealings for the benefit of the enemy to which she pleaded guilty.

Her company was fined £700. Previously Miss Gibbons had pleaded not guilty. Mr. Justice Wrottesley had told her in court that there were two things on which she should reflect.

One—that humble folk, without her intelligence, position, or means, had been putting up cheerfully with hardships, danger, and death rather than deal with Germany's present regime.

Two—that the Royal Navy had kept the blockade going—perhaps our most potent weapon at the expense of British sailors' lives.

Anyone who helped the enemy elude the blockade had British sailors' blood on his hands.

Miss Gibbons, he said, had been put forward as a patriotic and loyal citizen. He believed she was. Did he not do so, he would have had to consider sending her to prison.

It was Miss Gibbons's third ordeal in court. In December the case was postponed. After a 12-days trial in January the jury disagreed.

Her Secretary

Yet all the time she has continued attending to her business, working in the early morning and at night.

Every evening during the January trial her secretary called on her to keep her abreast of affairs.

Miss Gibbons is small, slim, and well dressed. Her director's fees are £700 a year.

"I've spent all my life savings in trying to prove my patriotic motives," she said to a reporter, "and now I've had to plead guilty to these charges—technical offences—to which I had no answer in law."

"Exporters should profit by my experience and realise what great care must be taken when dealing with firms abroad. One must make doubly sure that foreign companies are not enemy-controlled."

She gave the outline of her business career.

"I lost my father when I was a young girl," she said. "My mother had a little capital, but she lost it in an hotel venture."

Hard Employer

"I had had a good commercial and business training, so when I was 18 I began as a shorthand-typist and bookkeeper."

"I believe I owe my rise in the commercial world to the fact that I had a hard taskmaster of an employer. He taught me everything, and I was never afraid of work."

"I have no fiancé. I put my career before marriage. My family have always looked on me as the 'breadwinner'."

"I still intend to carry on my business—with the permission of the Custodian of Enemy Property. I have some Government contracts to fulfil."

"For years I've been trying to break away from the Berlin control of my company. I succeeded to a great extent before the war began—the company is now self-supporting—and engaged on contracts for British materials."

"Unfortunately a lot of mud has been thrown at me during the trial. I have received anonymous telephone calls, which are worrying. I don't want that mud to stick."

"At the back of my business life I've always had my family to think of. When I flew to Stockholm during the war I took out a special insurance so that my mother would have enough in case anything happened to me."

"My brother is a sergeant in a

famous regiment. I drove an ambulance myself until my health broke down."

At the end of the hearing Miss Gibbons began superintending the company's lack of business documents to her office. Her sergeant brother, who had obtained leave, helped.

OWES LIFE TO APPLE

An apple saved the life of thirteen-year-old Vivienne Carr. She and her father, mother, brother and sister were in the kitchen of their home in Manchester. Bombs were falling.

"May I have one of those nice apples you bought this morning?" Vivienne asked. Her mother told her to get one from the sideboard.

Vivienne went to get the apple, and just as she was taking it a bomb hit the house.

The house was wrecked; her father, mother, brother and sister were killed; Vivienne was flung into the air and fell on the ruins of the house with both her legs broken.

Her baby sister Valerie, aged three, was with neighbours, and she, too, escaped.

Must Be "Mummy"

Lying in hospital, Vivienne swept her long curls away from her smiling brown eyes as she told a reporter:—

"I have received letters from a lot of people I do not know, asking me to go to their homes to live when I am better. But I am better. But I won't go anywhere to stay."

"You see, I'm all baby Valerie has left, and I expect I shall have to try to be a sort of mummy to her."

HE BLEW HIMSELF UP IN REVENGE

In revenge for being ordered to vacate his room, William Wright, forty, blew himself to bits with dynamite in the lounge of an hotel at Buffalo, New York.

"I'll get even with you for this," Wright had told the manager.

Later he returned with a parcel, and when sitting alone in the lounge there was a big explosion.

The police are unable to determine how he exploded the dynamite.

OUR VICTORIES BREAK UP THEIR HOMES

Each new British victory in Africa threatens to break up another home in the French Riviera. All along the coast of France live Franco-Italian families.

For generations these families have lived there.

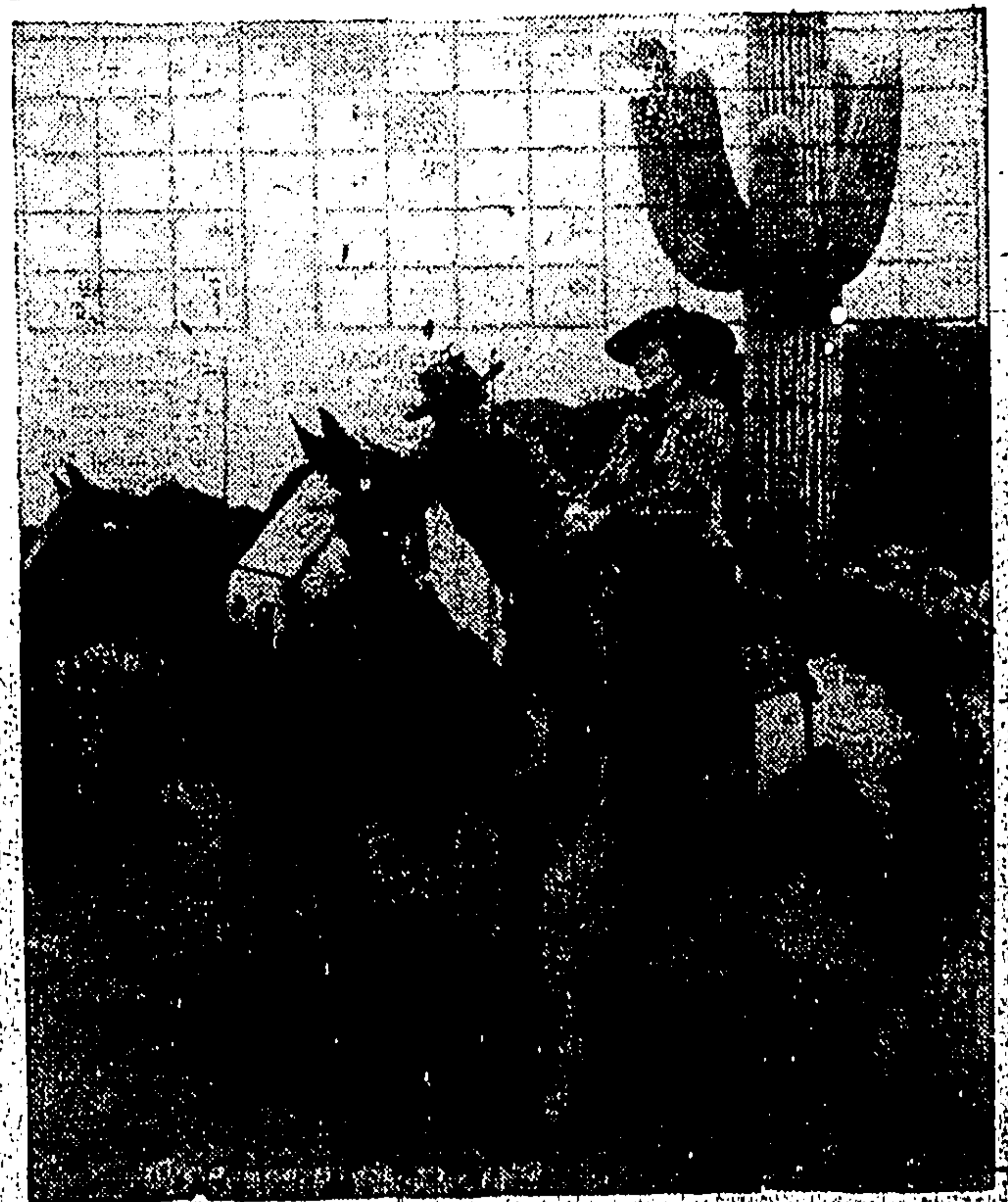
As the guns overseas boom British victory, constant quarrels take place, for the French husbands exult each British success.

Even the children deride their mothers in these divided households with tantalising chants of "Macaronis no good."

These women have come to love Southern France. But their cry is: "Italy is my country after all. I can't like to see her beaten."

When she was told about a girl in another northern hospital who has lost both her legs and hopes to walk again on artificial limbs, Vivienne's eyes shone.

From under her pillow she took a little purse. "Now I know what I can do with some of the money people have been sending me," she said eagerly. "Please will you give her something from me towards her new legs."



A scene from 'Arizona' starring Jean Arthur, now showing at the King's Theatre.

CHINA MAIL

WINDSOR HOUSE

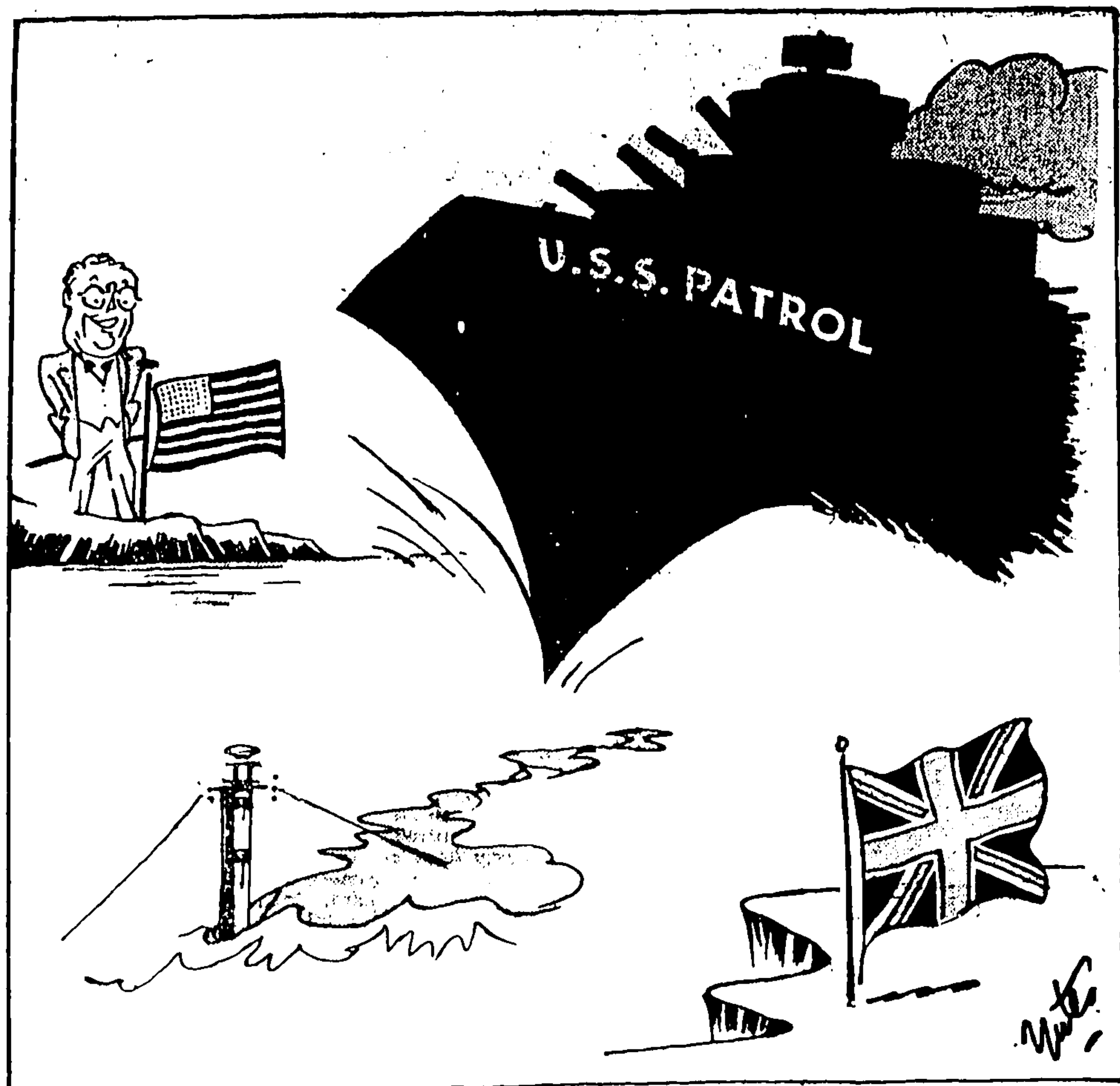
BRITAIN SPEAKS

Those who listened to Mr. Churchill's broadcast, and it was heard by millions, must have felt once again the inspiration, the courage, the confidence and the honesty of the Prime Minister. Characteristically, Mr. Churchill made no attempt to gloss over the effects of the defeat in Greece or the danger in Libya, nor did he try to cheer his hearers with false hopes or vague promises. He has looked at all aspects of the present war in Europe so long that he seems to possess an uncanny power of prophecy as to its future course—as well as its final outcome—and can, therefore, speak more calmly and with greater assurance than a man of lesser vision.

Mr. Churchill did not waste time in abuse of the Germans or in such bombastic utterances as are so beloved by the German Fuehrer. He did not minimise the dangers to which the Democracies are exposed, but he was able to say that we must not lose our sense of proportion, that Hitler cannot find escape from avenging justice by adventures in the East, that he must conquer the British Isles or fail, and that the danger to which Britain is exposed to-day is incomparably less alarming than it was last summer.

Mr. Churchill poured scorn, furthermore, on suggestions of uneasiness and discouragement in Britain as a consequence of the Greek campaign. To refute the suggestion, the Prime Minister did not go to the night-clubs of London, but he went to the battered cities of England and among the people, and his verdict provided the most stirring passages of yet one more speech of historical brilliance.

As to the future, Mr. Churchill foresaw a new fierceness in the war in the Mediterranean, possibilities of great new trouble-centres, in Turkey, possibly in Russia, possibly again in the Far East. The participation of Spain on the German side, of the extension of the war to Morocco, cannot be ruled out. But none of these forays by Hitler could, in the long run, influence the real battle, now being fought over Britain's shores, over German industrial areas, and in the Atlantic. In the great Battle of the Atlantic, which Mr. Churchill saw as the crucial issue of the war, he referred significantly to Britain and the United States as partners



"PROTECTIVE SURVEILLANCE"

PROHIBIDO

"But we've never had anything banned before. Never!" Valenti replaced his glass on the counter with a bang to show his indignation and, incidentally, its emptiness. "What do you mean, banned?"

"Suppressed," said his friend Quito. "Forbidden. Prohibido."

"But it isn't even a real piece," said Valenti. "It's only a film. Why can't they just put the usual notice outside, 'Adults Only'?"

"It's not that sort of a film, hombre. It's perfectly decent."

"Then why does everybody want to see it?" demanded Valenti conclusively. "No, no, there must be something in it, and pretty strong, too, considering what you do see. Eh? Oh, thanks. Yes, same again."

The grocer served them and stood polishing a glass with his apron. "Maybe it's one of these orgies. Senor Valenti. Bacchanalian revels and so on. It's a long time since I saw a good orgy," he added wistfully.

"It's banned for political reasons," said Quito. "A certain foreign Power objects; we oblige them. It's only polite."

"I don't care what foreign Power it is," said Valenti warmly, "or whether they choke with their own macaroni. And it isn't that I want to see the thing particularly. I like a nice murder film myself — amateur murders, I mean, none of this Nazi stuff. — I don't want to be told I can't go if I like. That's dictator's talk. Dictators — tcha!" He aimed his opinion of them into a handy cuspidor.

"Very trying they are," assented the grocer, correctly interpreting the opinion. "Even the children talk about them. Why, at Christmas my boy said to me, 'Do

in the crusade for the liberties of mankind, and spoke of the indescribable relief he experienced when he learned of the United States decision to 'put the tools within our reach.' The significance of the Prime Minister's interpretation of the surveillance patrols could hardly have been lost upon any of his hearers; certainly it was not lost upon Nazi listeners in Berlin.

I get my presents from the kings as usual this year, or do I have to have them from the dictators? Nice presents he'd get from them — a gag and a pair of blinkers."

"Still, you know, Valenti," said Quito, "they've a sort of right to object if the film makes the dictators ridiculous."

"Why blame the film?" said Valenti reasonably. "They do it themselves. And most of us haven't waited for that to have a good laugh at them."

"All the same," insisted Quito, "some censorship's necessary, so as not to offend people. For instance, you remember my boss used to take his family to Europe every year before the war — me and the car and the boys and his wife and all. We used to go to London for the season."

"What season, Senor Quito?" asked the grocer, as Quito, paused to sip his vino tinto.

"I don't know," said Quito, "the fog never cleared long enough for me to see. Well, I used to go to the pictures quite a lot to get warm, and d'you know, half the English pictures had the villain an Argentine. But when they're shown here, they call him an Egyptian or Rumanian or something. It's a form of censorship."

"Why do they pick on us, Senor Quito?" said the grocer, also rather flattered.

"Well, the villain is always the one that goes running after the girl, isn't he? So they can't make him an Englishman, because Englishmen don't."

The grocer regarded him in incredulous silence and Valenti cocked a sceptical eyebrow over the rim of his glass. "All lame or something?" he inquired.

"They don't have to," explained Quito. "In England, you see, there's about five women to one man."

"Is that so?" said Valenti, interested. "I've always fancied a trip to England. Do you have to be naturalised, or do tourists get the full quota?"

"Can you choose the five?" said the grocer, leaning over the counter.

"Those are statistics," said Quito patiently. "Figures in newspapers, you know. Five women, or four and a half. I don't remember."

"Como, a half?" said the grocer, wondering whether he had carelessly missed a customer's joke. Ingleses were tall, of course, but half a woman!

"You see that point," continued Quito, ignoring him. "You can't show a film that would offend a

lot of the people, because it wouldn't pay."

"Sounds like a better reason," said Valenti, "but it doesn't fit the case when it's only a few Italians. Who cares about offending them, anyway?"

"We're neutral," Quito reminded him. "This war's nothing to do with us."

"So's Carlitos neutral, and he made the picture," said Valenti. "Nothing to do with us, eh? Go and take a look round the empty harbour and say that again."

"The war hits us all," put in the grocer. "If you knew what this wine costs me now you'd be surprised."

"I dare say we should," said Quito dryly, "but the others are all as bad as you. And Montez's place is full of Germans, all 'Helling' and arguing."

"I had an argument with one last time I was there," said Valenti. "He said that, naming no names, the greatest of Aryan races would soon be getting the earth and everything in it. So he got a bit from me—in his face,—with a cactus in it; but he didn't seem to want it. No pleasing some people."

"They must be pleased just now about this ban, anyway," said Quito. "That's what they like, banning and orders and censorship."

"It's what they have to like," said Valenti, "but I can't see us taking to it here. I wonder, now, if the whole thing isn't a publicity stunt. The Mayor may lift the ban, and then everybody'll flock to see it."

"Vamos, che! The Mayor wouldn't lend himself to a thing like that. Nobody'll go out of his way to see it except those with a grudge against the dictators. It's quite simple if you want to; go over to Montevideo for the day. There's no ban on it in Uruguay."

"Is that so, senor," said the grocer thoughtfully. "That accounts for it, then. I've got a nephew working on one of the ferry-boats between here and Montevideo, and he says there's been quite a run on day trips just now, almost like there was the time of the Graf Spee. Always crowded they are."

"With us freedom-loving Argentines," said Valenti triumphantly and a trifle pompously, "showing our opinion of the censorship."

"With the English colony, I'll bet," said Quito instantly, "and the Americans."

"No, senores," said the grocer, for once contradicting them both. "That's what's so odd. It's mostly the Italians and the Germans."

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HITLER FEARS WRATH OF HIS "SLAVES"

HITLER IS NOW faced with a new nightmare — the fear of revolt in occupied countries. Secret societies abound everywhere, nightly German troops are done to death, sabotage — the main offensive weapon — is rife, and mayors of provincial towns show their contempt for local "Quislings" by defying their authority.

In fact, there is growing a "pro-Ally Fifth Column" movement to resist Nazi oppression.

Here are reports received from "neutrals" who have travelled through France, Norway, Holland, Belgium and Denmark.

FRANCE: During the month 16 German guards were found knifed or beaten to death in lonely forests around Biarritz.

Oslo Arrests

Local mayors were arrested and 500 Frenchmen were sent to a concentration camp. But the assaults continued.

In Paris, German officers have been shot and many soldiers found dead and injured in the Bois de Boulogne.

NORWAY: Sabotage is the principal weapon and cables and wires have been cut. Disorders in Oslo resulted in 3,000 people having their liquor cards withdrawn.

Looting has become systematic, and even pro-Nazis show signs of disagreement.

In the course of street demonstrations in Oslo hundreds of arrests were made, according to the National Broadcasting Company of New York.

HOLLAND: A "pro-Ally Fifth Column" movement working in secret goes to the extent of helping R.A.F. raiders.

Many Germans had been pushed into canals during "black-out" and drowned.

BELGIUM: Germany fears possible revolt. B.B.C. broadcasts are widely heard, the wavelength being made known by posters.

DENMARK: Outside the Haderslev Prison, there were big anti-German demonstrations, and the Nazis seized a quantity of revolver ammunition.

FRIED EGGS --THEN DIED

Viscount Lambton, twenty-year-old heir to the Earl of Durham, fried bacon and eggs for himself before he went out of doors and shot himself.

He was found dead on the lawn in front of the family home, Fenton House, near Wooler, Northumberland.

He had returned recently from London, where he had been living. On November 9 he registered for military service.

"Suicide while temporarily of an unbalanced mind" was the verdict at the inquest at Fenton House.

The Hon. Claud Lambton said that Viscount Lambton, his nephew, had been a little abnormal as a boy and unlike other people.

Midnight Meals

He had tried to sleep during part of the day and stay up at nights.

The Earl said that he left his son between 11.30 and 11.45 on Monday night to go to bed.

His son had been phoning London. He thought something his son had heard during the phone conversation had been responsible for his action.

Elizabeth Scammell, housekeeper, said she was in bed when she heard Viscount Lambton in the kitchen.

She smelt frying of bacon and eggs. He had frequently done this at midnight or one o'clock.

The coroner said there was no possible question that Viscount Lambton had put the muzzle of a gun into his mouth with the intention of shooting himself.

£5,000 A YEAR "LIMIT PRICE TO HAPPINESS"

Sir Frank Mellor, formerly chief registrar of the Bankruptcy Court, has died at Oxford, aged seventy-seven.

"Can money buy happiness?" he was once asked.

He replied: "A man or woman can buy £5,000 worth of happiness a year, but I do not believe they can buy a pennyworth more. When it passes that figure, the results frequently lead to unhappiness."

INVASION IF AND WHEN

Secret Only Hitler
Knows

Reliable information reaching Whitehall from various sources in Germany and occupied territory indicates that Hitler alone knows if and when an invasion of Britain will be attempted.

From many countries in Europe reports are continually reaching London that invasion is imminent. It is believed in responsible quarters that the Nazis are putting these reports about, possibly as a smoke-screen to cover a drive elsewhere.

While British policy will not be deflected by such tactics, there is no inclination in Government circles to discount the prospect of an assault on Britain, nor to relax in the slightest degree our extensive preparations to meet it.

Little material evidence has been received lately of special activity across the Channel, such as new concentrations of troops barges. It is, however, known that there has been some reinforcement recently of the German troops in Norway.

Moreover, German forces have been so disposed for some time that an invasion could be attempted at the shortest notice.

YANKS ARE THERE

Among the thousands of Americans now serving with our Forces are some who have thrown up good jobs and left wives and families.

Nobody knows how many United States nationals are fighting at our side, but Mr. Robert Hutchinson, president of the American Eagle Club in London, said that there are perhaps 8,000.

"I think even that may be a conservative estimate," Mr. Hutchinson told a reporter. "They are sentimental about England."

Most of them are serving with the Canadian Army, but two or three are in the Canadian Navy as ratings. Some are members of the Free French Forces.

DANES MAY HAVE NO GAS

The Danish Government has announced that stocks of coal are so low that gasworks in all towns in Denmark will probably be unable to supply gas.

LAST DUTY--TO OTHER WOMAN

AFTER MANY YEARS of married life, a man left his wife, who had no children, to live with another woman by whom he had two children. When he came to make his will — he eventually committed suicide — he found himself in a dilemma between the claims of his wife and the claims of the mother of his children.

He made the will in favour of the other woman and her two children. And Mr. Justice Farwell, in the Chancery Division, considered the man's financial problem and decided that he had chosen rightly—that a moral duty might outweigh a legal obligation.

The Judge dismissed an application by the wife, Mrs. Elizabeth May Joslin, of The Retreat, Bickington, near Barnstaple, who asked that reasonable provision should be made for her maintenance under the Inheritance (Family Provision) Act, 1938, from the net estate of her husband, Frederick John Joslin, who committed suicide in November 1938.

The woman with whom Joslin lived was Mrs. Hilda Manning. The will was made in her favour with reversion to the two children. His real estate was estimated for probate to be worth £2,768 and the personal estate £191, but, after payment of expenses and mortgage charges, the estate was now estimated to be £237.

Wife To Pay Costs

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice Farwell said that Mrs. Joslin had a very small claim, but

Mrs. Manning was penniless. In these circumstances the husband was in a dilemma.

The Judge said he did not think it right in these cases to take into consideration only legal obligations.

A man in such a dilemma—which was not less difficult because he had created it himself—was entitled if he thought fit to decide that his duty was to make what little provision he could for the other woman and children, even although his lawful wife would have to live on what little income she had.

The Judge also ruled, to prevent the revision for Mrs. Manning and her children being reduced by the costs of these proceedings, that the application should be dismissed with costs. In the circumstances the proceedings should not have been brought.

FRENCH REFUGEES RETURN

Twenty thousand French refugees — the last from Switzerland — have returned to unoccupied France, said Radio Lyons. — Associated Press.



She could whip ten times her weight in bad men, but romance turns lovely Phoebe Tibus, dauntless daughter of the West, into a blushing, timorous bride. Jean Arthur portrays Phoebe in Wesley Ruggles' new Columbia drama, "Arizona," with William Holden seen as her fighting, plainsman sweetheart. Currently playing at the King's Theatre, the film also features Warren William and Porter Hall.

HE GOT JERRY-- WITH HIS LIFE

(By A Special Correspondent)

A CORNISH LAD, Bruce Hancock's chief interests in a short life were Ann, his car, Looe and the Air Force. Ann, a friend from his schooldays adored her handsome Bruce, encouraged his interest in aeroplanes and shared his love for quaint little Looe.

When war broke out, he left his job in an estate agent's office and took up his duties as a prospective pilot. After eight months of intensive training, he passed his sergeant-pilot's examination and married Ann. Their wedding had already been postponed once owing to the death of Ann's mother.

Ann was happy playing housewife until, in the sixteenth week, her married life was shattered by an official telegram announcing Bruce's death in a flying accident.

Hoping against hope, too stunned to believe the awful truth, Ann made arrangements for his body to be brought home for burial.

me little details of their last happy moments together. She added, a little sadly, "I knew he would do something like that if it was the only way of getting the Jerry."

The band slid into the opening bars of "Goodnight Sweetheart," and Ann smiled as she murmured, "Bruce was fond of that."

Now Ann, like so many more, carries on alone, still bravely smiling—but still remembering.

Couldn't Reply

The story of his heroism and death was pieced together after Ann met several of his brother pilots.

One evening, soon after supper, Bruce was flying solo in a huge plane, crossing the aerodrome at about 800 feet. His friends were astonished to see a Jerry bomber swoop through a cloud on his tail.

Jerry fired a couple of bursts with his machine-guns. Bruce did not have the power to answer. He climbed in an effort to get above the Nazi.

His object became clear to his friends on the ground, but was obviously keeping Jerry guessing—then down came his plane straight for the Nazi.

Bruce's reckoning was perfect—Jerry came down with the training plane rammed in his middle.

She Expected It

The ground staff rushed to the burning wreckage. But too late. Bruce had done the job properly, even though it meant having the highest price.

I was sitting with Ann in her favourite restaurant as she told

HE WILL AVENGE THIS GREETING

A party was being given in an East Midlands town to a young man who was joining up.

He was about to reply to the toast wishing him a safe and speedy return when the house was struck by a plane of exploding bomb.

"That's the greeting," the man replied. "I will avenge that." The party proceeded in true British spirit.

A.B. SAVED 24 IN SEA

When piloting his torpedoed shipmates to safety, an able-seaman sighted a drifting lifeboat, took it in tow, and saved the sixteen exhausted men aboard who had also been torpedoed.

For this exploit Able-Seaman Sydney Herbert Light is awarded the George Medal.

Light's ship was torpedoed at night. All hands except Light and a greaser were thrown out of a swamped boat, but eventually eight men were got aboard.

The boat drifted away from the sinking ship. Seas swept over her.

Able-Seaman Light set sail. Ships were sighted but failed to see the boat.

A lifeboat was sighted with no oars or any signs of life aboard. But there were sixteen men from a torpedoed merchant ship aboard.

In spite of rising seas and wind and baling all the time, Light towed the drifting boat until they sighted an unknown rocky shore.

There they laid off until daylight, but the boats were driven out to sea again. The men rowed all day.

Men in the towed boat were almost done when Light entered the vessel and massaged two men, gave them his stockings and dressed their wounds.

After ten days of privation, weariness and danger they sighted a British ship which answered a flare and came to the rescue.

Awards to officers and men of the British submarine Thunderbolt—originally the Thetis for "courage, skill and seamanship in destroying an Italian submarine" were also announced.

Companion of the Distinguished Service Order: Lieutenant C. Crouch.

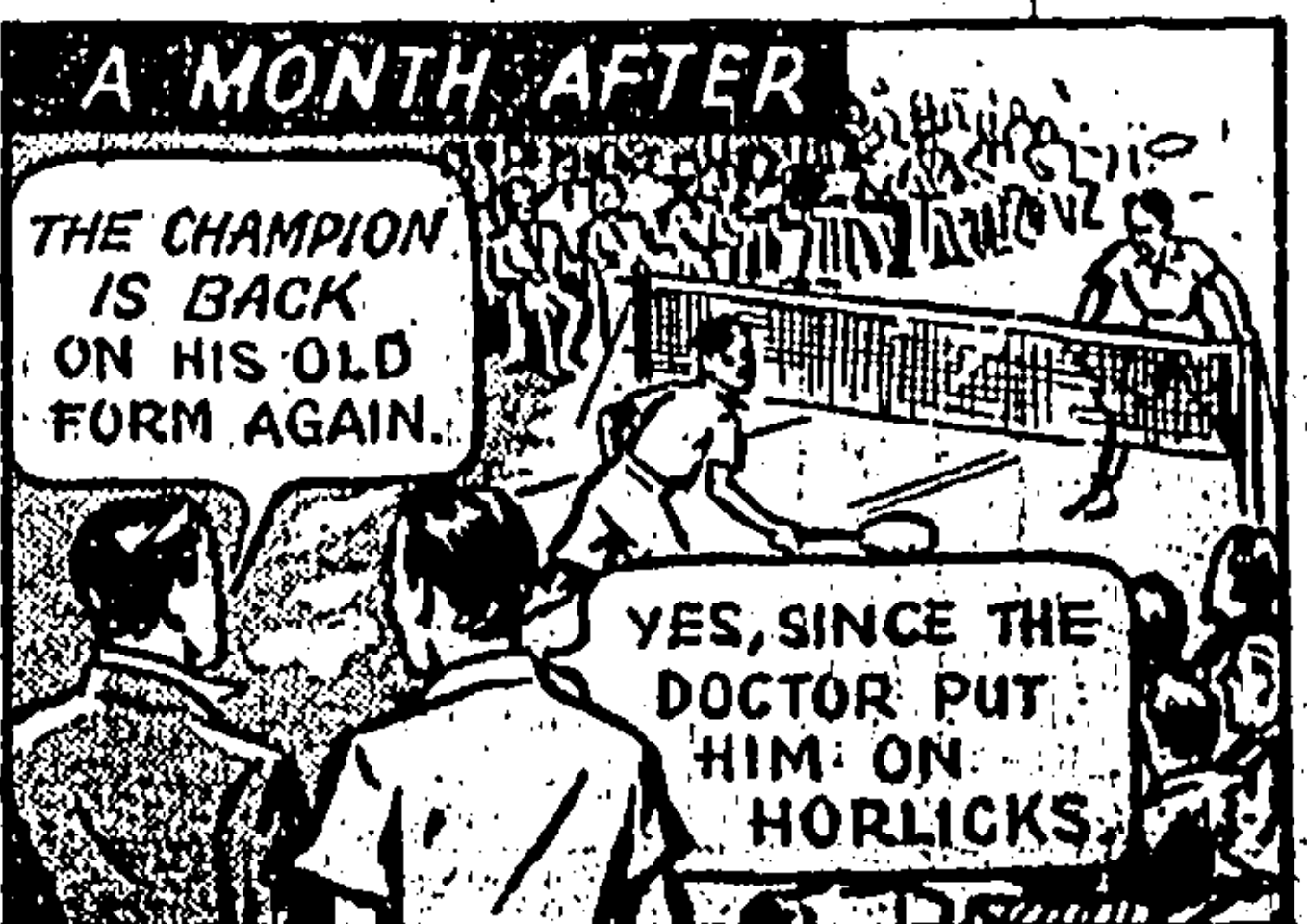
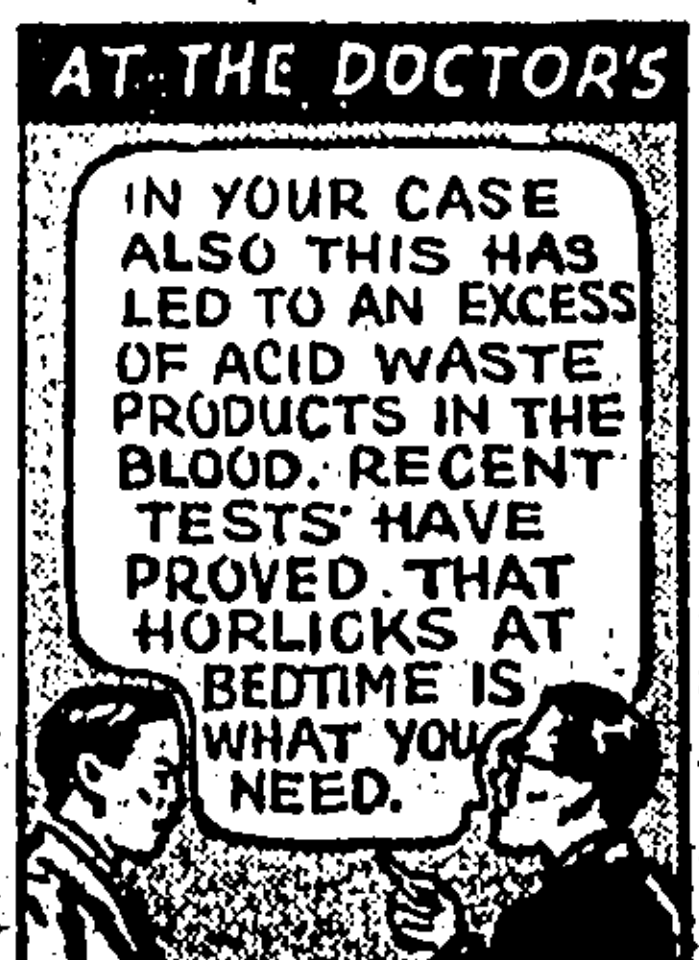
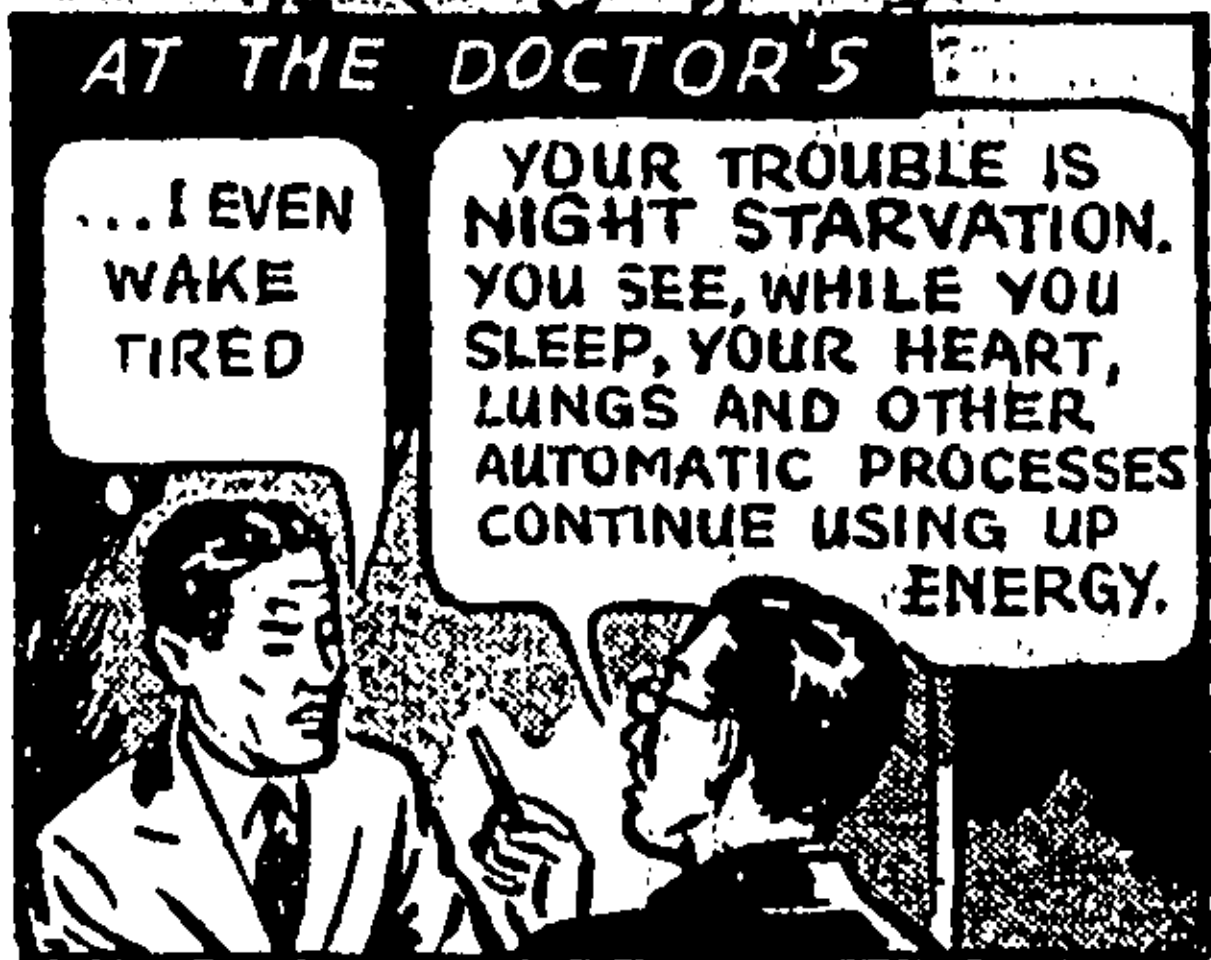
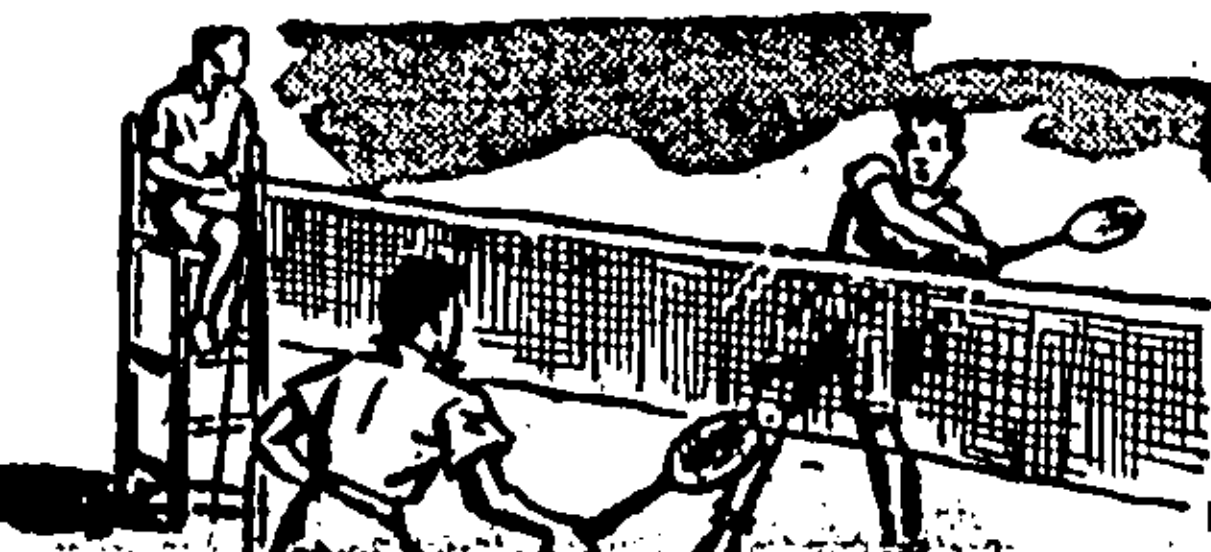
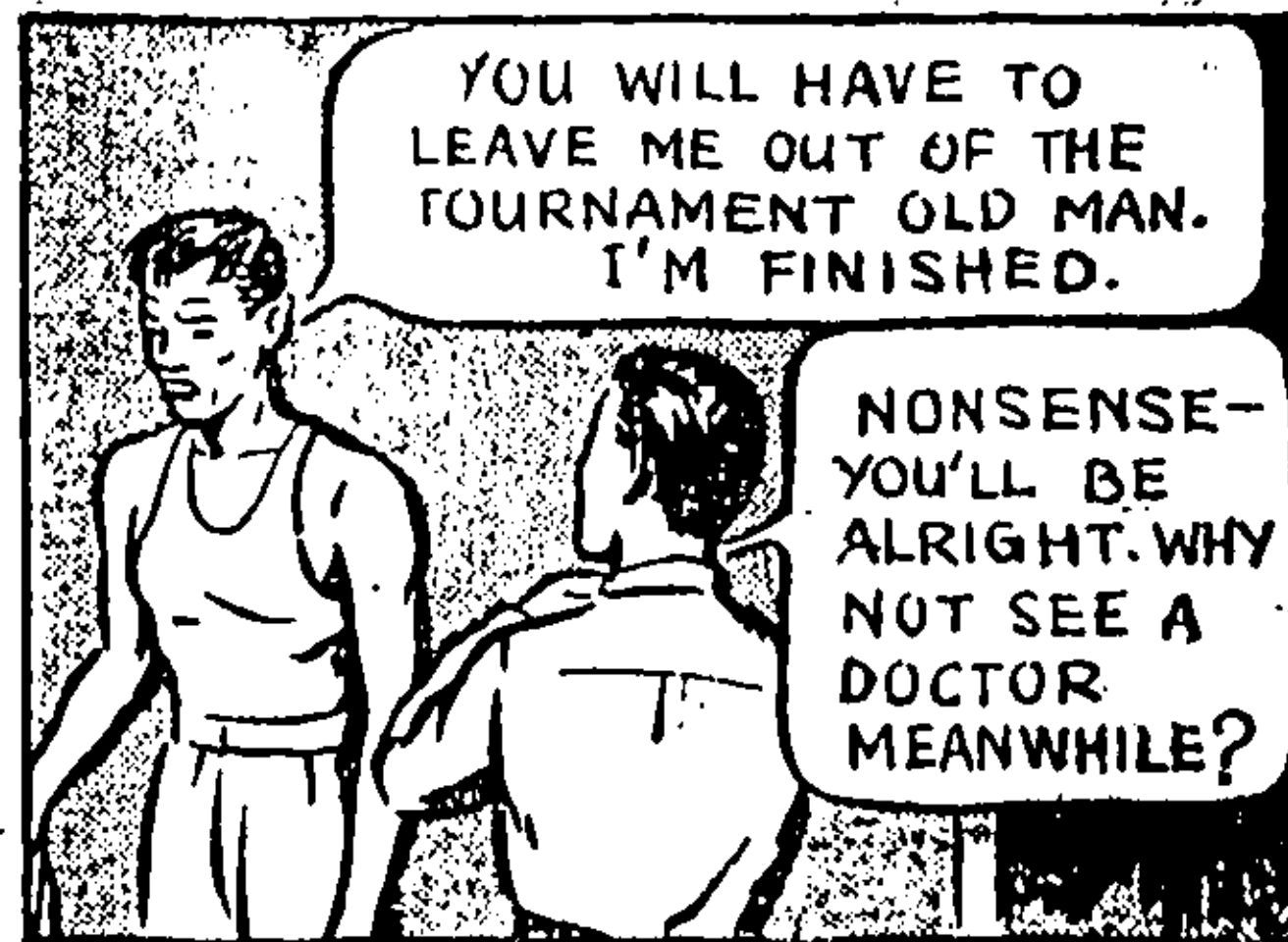
Distinguished Service Cross: Lieutenant J. Stevens.

Distinguished Service Medal: Chief Petty Officers C. S. Jones and J. K. Webster, Chief Engineer Artificer W. Curtis, Engine-room Artificer Third Class W. Glass, and Acting Petty Officer Telegraphist G. Yeats.

AXIS FASHION PARADE

More than 200 German business men were among those attending a reception given at Turin by the Italian fashion organisation at which dress and millinery styles were exhibited.—Reuter.

BADMINTON CHAMPION LOSES FORM



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By ED REED



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BRIDGE NOTES

SHOWING A MAXIMUM

By The Four Aces

"Please comment on the bidding of this hand," writes a Baltimore fan. "There must be something wrong with it:

South, Dealer		Both sides vulnerable	
♠ 7 6 5 3 2		♥ 4	
♦ Q J 8		♣ A 10 8 4	
♠ 10 9		♥ K 10 7 6	
♦ 9 6 5 2		♣ K 7 5	
♠ K 7 5		♥ A 10 8 3	
♦ A K J 3		♣ A 10 7 3	
♥ A 10 8 2		♣ J 6 3	
♦ K 4		♠ Q 9 2	

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

"The hand makes eleven tricks, so there ought to be a way of getting to game. How?"

HIGH CARD VALUES OF THE FOUR-ACE SYSTEM

ACE ... 3
KING ... 2
QUEEN ... 1
JACK ... 0

bid the hand too weakly. His first response to one spade might well have been two clubs, with the intention of raising spades later on. But having bid only two spades, he should have hastened to show his maximum holding for this weak bid by jumping to four spades over South's rebid of three hearts.

Such a jump would not show Slam intentions or a very fine hand or anything else that might deceive South. North's first response of two spades had already made it clear that his hand contained only a decidedly limited amount of strength. The jump would therefore show only a hand which was at or near the upper limit possible for a single raise.

South cannot be criticised for refusing to go on past three spades. North would have bid the hand the same way with the same distribution but no high cards. And then South would lose at least one diamond and three clubs.

* * *

Yesterday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ K 10 7
♥ 5 4
♦ 6
♣ A Q J 9 8 3

The bidding:

Burnstone	Jacoby	Van	Schenker
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	(7)	

ANSWER: Bid four spades. If your partner has a rebiddable spade suit there should be an excellent play for game in the hand. To bid only three spades would risk a pass by partner.

Score 100% for four spades, 70% for three spades, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 702

To-day you are Merwin Maier's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K 10 7 6
♥ K 5 4 2
♦ 8
♣ A J 9 8

The bidding:

Maier	Schenker	You	Jacoby
1♠	Pass	(7)	

What do you bid? (Answer Monday.)

To-morrow).

(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

MUST SHOW DRINK CARD

All girls who drink will have to carry official "cocktail cards" if a Bill, being placed before the California State Legislature is adopted. The sponsor of the Bill proposes that girls be forbidden alcohol unless they register.

No girl would be allowed a drink until she had shown the barman her card.

THE BLITZ PURSUED THEM

(By A Special Correspondent)

THIS IS THE STORY of the family the blitz pursued. North, south, east and west — everywhere they went the blitz was sure to follow. They were bombed in trains, hotels, farms and relatives' homes. Then, in despair, they returned home to join the fire watch.

Cost of this "bombed out" tour was £500. And they were in more raids than friends who stayed put.

Before the blitz, father, mother and two daughters, all of independent means, lived in a town on the Bristol Channel.

They quit Bristol after the first raid there.

This is a round-by-round story of their fight to dodge the Luftwaffe.

ROUND ONE.—A bomb fell in the back garden in a south coast town, blew in all their windows.

ROUND TWO.—Caught by second Bristol blitz while bound by train for the Midlands.

ROUND THREE.—Two nights after their arrival in the Midlands, Birmingham was attacked. Planes passing over their hotel unloaded nine H.E.s.

A daughter was cut by flying glass.

ROUND FOUR.—Machine-gunned in train on way to new home in an East Midlands resort.

ROUND FIVE.—Mine struck the docks at a west country town. Next night a raider, pursued, jettisoned its bomb load.

In Time . . .

ROUND SIX.—Arrived in Sheffield just in time for the blitz.

Relatives there had written: "We rarely hear the siren here."

Father, hit by shrapnel went to hospital for a week.

ROUND SEVEN.—Daylight raider, jettisoning bombs, scored direct hit on farmhouse which the family had taken in North Midlands.

Family were out—for a walk.

ROUND EIGHT.—On way back to their Bristol Channel home they were held up for five hours by attack on a train.

ROUND NINE.—Caught in all-night raid at Bristol when changing trains. Mother cut by glass.

ROUND TEN.—Fight stopped. Got home to find no bombs had fallen within a couple of miles of it all the time they had been running into bombs elsewhere.

LIVED ALONE IN 80-ROOM MANSION

Robert Hewson was 78. He lived alone at Trent Court, an 80-room mansion near Tunbridge Wells.

All his life he collected antiques. The rooms were filled with them.

Every day he walked from room to room rearranging the furniture.

An odd-job man employed at the house found the strange old man dying. He had slipped and table.

injured himself while carrying a This was the story told at the inquest when a verdict of Death from Misadventure was recorded.

"Mr. Hewson was a very wealthy man," a villager related.

"He had bought many large properties in Tunbridge Wells and Sussex. Although there are at least 80 rooms, he lived in the mansion all alone."

"There are some London evacuees in the servant's quarters."

"The house is so large that you could bullet 600 soldiers in it."

NAZIS GIVE UP CABLE SCHEME; TRY TO LAUGH

The Nazi short-wave announcer who invited American listeners to send radiograms at Germany's expense, saying what sort of propaganda programmes they prefer, and who has received such a flood of insulting messages as never before warmed up the Transatlantic transmitters, has now called off his scheme.

In a painfully woolly broadcast last night, the Nazi announcer said that no further messages will be paid for after midnight to-morrow.

"He sounded," says the New York newspaper "P.M." "eager to laugh the whole thing off like a man who has been kicked on the shins by the heavyweight champion."

The radio company here that is sending the messages at 10s. 8d. each which Germany has to pay in good American dollars will not disclose the number sent, and calculations how much the great Berlin bloomer has already cost, and now much it will have cost by to-morrow night, vary a good deal.

"P.M." thinks there have been 25,000 messages already and suggests that the total might reach 50,000 by to-morrow night—which would mean that the Nazis would have lost more than £6,000 worth of dollar exchange.

Another estimate suggests that the Nazis might get away with a final bill of between £15,000 and £20,000. One reason for accepting the higher estimate is that a "chain" movement is now busily going on in New York. Each member of the chain agrees to get ten people to send a derisive cable with Germany's 10s. 8d. Each of those ten gets ten others, and so on.



Ginger Rogers in a scene from "BKO's," "Kitty Foyle," coming to the King's shortly.

Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

How to Get Triple Duty Out Of Sewing Hours

All of us sew these days if not for the family, for war relief Or we knit. Our fingers are kept busy for hours at a time fashioning garments of one sort or another. You can make those hours give you triple duty if you wish.

Before sitting down to sew why not comb and pin up your hair in curlers, tie a pretty ribbon or turban about your head and slip into a comfortable but attractive housecoat. Then you will feel free to put a masque cream on your face and let it do wonders for your skin while you work.

First wash your face well with soap and water, dry it and apply a cream masque. There are several of these film-like preparations which look like cream on your face—no mud pack, no deep colour!

If your skin is very dry you could anoint it all with a fragrant body oil—give it a good massage before putting on your housecoat. Let the oil lubricate and soothe, and the fragrance of it cheer you, as your fingers fly about their task.

That is getting double duty out of the sewing hours. Now, while you sew why not listen to several good radio broadcasts—programmes which will provide dinner conversation or interest friend husband when he comes home? Programmes which will feed your mind. Stay-at-home housewives have a tendency to grow dull because they do not take time to read current news, listen to it, or get out to a stimulating lecture or concert. Don't let that happen to you. If you do not sew or knit, then read while beauty is working.

Or you may be tutoring your young offspring. While you sew is a good time to listen to his progress or to discuss his little problems which are mighty important to him. Get the most out of



As this earnest beauty sews a spring gown, a cream face masque is beautifying her face, and wayward back curls are pinned under a ribbon band. At the end of the hour she will be groomed for the evening's fun!

your time, whatever you do, so you will not go about complaining, "I never find any time to do anything for myself that is why my hair and skin look as they do!" I'm convinced, you see, that every woman can find time to groom herself—no matter how chuck full her day!

A Screen Star's Favourite Masque

If you would like to try the home-made masque which screen

star Geraldine Fitzgerald favours, here is her recipe: Mix one teaspoonful of powdered tartkroot with a tablespoonful of cow's cream or lemon juice. Spread it on face and leave for at least a half hour, wash off with warm water and then give your skin an ice rub and complexion oil massage. Wrap an ice cube in a folded linen napkin or towel.

Pork Chops With Cream Mushroom Gravy

Of all meats, pork has perhaps the most definite flavour. It requires no "stepping up" in seasoning. Rather, anything that accompanies pork should just mingle and blend suavely with the flavour of the pork itself. Cream gravy is a perfect example.

Well, there are cream gravies and cream gravies. For delicacy of flavour and luxurious creaminess let me suggest a gravy made with condensed cream of mushroom soup.

It is easy to make because the soup as it comes from the can is already skillfully seasoned. Then, too, mushroom flavour blends well with pan browned pork chops. The dish is put together like this:

6 pork chops (cut $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 inch thick)
Flour

Salt and pepper

Wipe the pork chops with a damp cloth. Dust with flour and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place in hot heavy frying pan. Brown on both sides. Pour off excess fat, cover and cook slowly for about 20 minutes. Pour the hot "Cream Mushroom Gravy" over the pork chops and cook 10-15 minutes longer. Serves 5-6.

Cream Mushroom Gravy

1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup milk or water

Empty the cream of mushroom soup into a saucepan and mix very well. Stir in the milk or water gradually and heat. Pour over the browned pork chops and simmer 10-15 minutes.



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12.30 p.m.—Bizet—Symphony No. 1 in C Major.
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1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal.

1.01 p.m.—Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance".
Oh, Men of Dark and Dismal Fate... George Baker & Full Chorus: You May Go, For You're at Liberty... Full Company: Oh, Dry the Glistening Tear... Elsie Griffin & Chorus of Girls: Then, Fredric, Let Your Escort, Lion-Hearted... George Baker & Derek Oldham: When the Foreman Bares His Steel... Leo Sheffield, Elsie Griffin, Nellie Briercliffe & Chorus: Ah, Leave Me Not to Pine... Elsie Griffin & Derek Oldham: No, I Am Brave... Elsie Griffin, Leo Sheffield & Male Chorus: When A Fella's Not Engaged... Leo Sheffield & Male Chorus: To Gain a Brief Advantage... Leo Sheffield, Peter Dawson, George Baker, Elsie Griffin, Dorothy Gill & Full Chorus.

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Nat Gonella and His Georgians.

Fox-Trot—Ten Pretty Girls: Fox-Trot—Oh, They're Tough—Mighty Tough in the West: Slow Fox-Trot—Makin' A Fool of Myself: Quickstep—Get Hot: Fox-Trot—Woe Is Me: Fox-Trot—Mama Don't Allow It: Quickstep—The Gypsy in My Soul: Fox-Trot—Let Us be Sweethearts Over Again: Fox-Trot—Peckin'.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 p.m.—Aldershot Tattoo, 1938. Massed Bands of the Aldershot and Eastern Commands.

6.50 p.m.—Sea Shanties and Songs by Portsmouth Royal Naval Singers.
Sea Shanties—Intro.: Billy Boy: Johnny Come Down to Hilo: I'll Go No more A-Roving: Rio Grande.
Sea Songs—Intro.: Jolly Roger: Sailor's Chorus.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay — "Questions of the Hour".

7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 p.m.—Gertrude Lawrence & Noel Coward in Variety.

Where Are the Songs We Sung... Noel Coward (Baritone). "Crest of The Wave"—Selection... The Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra. The Physician: Experiment (both from "Nymph Errant")... Gertrude Lawrence (Vocal). Conversation Piece—Selection (Noel Coward)... Charles Prentice & His Orchestra. Mad Dogs & Englishmen: Let's Say Goodbye (both from "Words & Music")... Noel Coward (Vocal).

8.30 p.m.—An Eric Coates Programme.

Four Ways Suite — Northwards (March); Southwards (Valse); Eastwards (Eastern Dance); Westwards (Rhythm)... New Light Symphony Orchestra. Bird Songs at Eventide... Richard Crooks (Tenor). London Bridge March... New Light Symphony Orchestra. The Fairy Tales of Ireland... Essie Ackland (Contralto). By The Sleepy Lagoon... Eric Coates & Symphony Orch.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.15 p.m.—"The Hope of a New World" No. 1: "What is Wrong with the Old World". Recorded talk by the Archbishop of York.

9.32 p.m.—Magyar Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.

Far Goes The Crane: Down It Pours In the Puszt: You Were Unfaithful To Me: You Left Me, Don't Come Back: Out in the Puszt: Plough & Sow: It's A Great City: You Gave Me The First Kiss: In the Cafe with Glittering Mirrors.

9.45 p.m.—Some Scottish Songs.

O Sing to me the Old Scotch Songs (Leeson); Ye Banks and Braes (arr. Lees)... Joseph Hislop (Tenor). Tam Glen (arr. Stephen & Burnett); Deirdle's Farewell To Scotland ("Songs of the Hebrides")... Jean Day (Soprano). An Eriksay Love Lilt ("Songs of the Hebrides")... Joseph Hislop (Tenor).

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.00 p.m.—Studio — "China Produces for Resistance". Talk by Rewi Alley.

10.10 p.m.—Hawaiian Selections with Bing Crosby (Vocal).

Fox-Trots—A Song of Old Hawaii: South of Pago-Pago... Ray Kinney & His Hawaiian Musical Ambassadors. Aloha Oe: Song of the Islands... Bing Crosby with Dick McIntire & His Harmony Hawaiians. Fox-Trot—Hawaiian Hospitality... Ronnie Munro & His Orchestra. Hawaiian Paradise (Owens)... Bing Crosby with Dick McIntire & His Harmony Hawaiians. Fox-Trots—Hawaiian Ripples: Dreams of Aloha... Noi Lane's Hawaiian Orchestra.

10.35 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—When You Wish Upon a Star: Quickstep—Give a Little Whistle (both from film "Pinocchio")... Gerdal & His Savoy Hotel Orchestra. Tangos—Clasico: Llorar Y Reir... Juan Llozas & His Orchestra. Fox-Trot—My Capri Serenade: Waltz—Who's Taking You Home To-night?... Maurice Winnick & His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Down The Trail of Dreams: Faithful Forever... The Organ; The Dance Band & Me.

11.00 p.m.—Close down.

GREEK MET MINNIE, FIRE CAT MAKES IT 70

General Papagos, commander-in-chief of the Greek Army, is a man of forceful character. He had considerable moral strength in youth according to a good but incredible story revived among the Greeks.

The general then held the rank of second-lieutenant. The Greek War Office instructed officers to carry a revolver at all times, and an officious superior saw Papagos undo his holster and take out cigarettes and matches.

Without mentioning what he had seen, the officer ordered young Papagos to follow him to headquarters. Then, he said: "I command you to shoot me." Papagos refused. His superior pressed the point.

On The Hip

"If I obey," said the future general, "I shall be court-martialled."

So the officer wrote down his command. Papagos put away the signed order and pulled his revolver from his hip pocket.

He slowly levelled it. "For God's sake stop!" cried the officer. He then signed another order cancelling the first.

STOCKING GIRLS FOR ARMS

Midlands hosiery centres, it is understood, are to provide over 20,000 women workers for the armaments industry in the next few months.

The workers will be transferred under a voluntary quota scheme agreed by the Ministry of Labour, manufacturers, and trade union leaders.

Minnie, cat mascot of London Fire Brigade headquarters, who walked into the place, adopted the Brigade, and then began supplying it with kittens. HAS DONE IT AGAIN.

When last she got into print, you'll remember, she had sixty-two kittens.

She has just put up the number by eight, making her score to date seventy—not out. All the kittens (like the other sixty-two) are being adopted by the Fire Brigade.

Now Minnie is busy teaching the kittens the knack of taking shelter when the "Bells go down"—which is what they say of a fire call in the Brigade.

Minnie learned it by experience a long time ago. At the first sound of the alarm, wherever she is, Minnie dives under a table and gazes with her green eyes at the huge boots of the firemen rushing by.

She's taught all her kittens to make for the table like greased lightning, and stop there.

Every one of them learned the lesson well.

JUBILEE THE CHIMP IS DEAD

Within ten days of her sixth birthday, Jubilee, the first London-born chimpanzee died at the Zoo sanatorium from an abscess of the brain. She had been ill for a few days.

It was on February 15, 1935—Jubilee year—that, for the first time in the history of the London Zoological Gardens, a chimpanzee was born there.

As a baby, Jubilee was one of the star attractions at the Zoo. Crowds gathered to see her with her mother, Boo-Boo.

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PEER WROTE --FINE IS CUT

INTERVENTION BY Lord Londonderry was stated to have been responsible for the Home Secretary remitting £20 of the £25 fine imposed on an R.A.F. officer for a "practical joke."

The officer, posing as an Army intelligence officer, phoned his father that parachutists were to attack the north-east that night.

Lord Londonderry's letter, sent on behalf of R.A.F. Squadron Leader Chaplain Ernest William Lees May, was read by the magistrate's clerk at Belford Police Court, Northumberland, with other correspondence in the case.

This revealed that the magistrates had warned the Home Secretary (then Sir John Anderson) that they would give the facts full publicity, because they thought the offence too serious for the penalty to be reduced.

The Chairman when fining May £25 on August 11, 1940, said: "The Bench is satisfied that there is no criminal or wicked intent, but that being said, the indecorable folly of the defendant's action remains and might have had consequences of the utmost gravity."

"Family Joke"

On August 26 Lord Londonderry sent Sir John Anderson a letter stating:

"Mr. May was a clergyman at Wynyard and I was very pleased indeed with him, as I think he was one of the best persons I have ever met."

"Notwithstanding this, he has been guilty of a very silly and unkindly joke for which he certainly deserves to suffer."

"I do think, however, that the punishment far exceeds the crime, and in these days when so many of us do not know where to turn for money, I would suggest that this fine to a very large extent might be remitted."

"I am very sorry the episode occurred. It was a silly family joke."

"£25 Too Little"

On October 1 the Under-Secretary of State wrote to the Justices' clerk at Belford saying that because the "whole incident was a clumsy practical joke, the Secretary of State is disposed to think that a substantial part of the fine might be remitted."

Details of the case were sent on October 10 to the Under-Secretary of State with the following comment:

"On arriving at their decision to impose a fine of £25, the magistrates regarded the action as being so reprehensible that it could not possibly be met by a small or nominal penalty and, in fact, some of the Justices considered that an even larger fine than £25 should be imposed."

On November 8 the Under-Secretary of State replied recommending that £20 of the fine should be remitted.



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But the travel agencies are keeping a close watch. They have turned away hundreds of thousands of pounds in "bribe" money.

Said an official: "We get hundreds of applications every month for berths on ships leaving for New York. But passenger shipping across the Atlantic is almost at a standstill, so the majority of them have to be turned down."

"When we tell them this a lot of the would-be passengers—often wealthy people—make an offer. For instance, the fare to New York is roughly £45. When we tell them that few ships are sailing and reveal the scarcity of accommodation up goes their price immediately. It is nothing to be offered £700."

"Some passenger clerks have reported attempts to bribe them personally."

Turned Down

"But, of course, all these offers are turned down."

"If intended passengers are entitled to leave the country they are put on a waiting list. When a ship is available they are put on it as soon as possible."

An official of a firm of London exporters said: "It is true that large prices are being paid — for passages across the Atlantic. For instance, some weeks ago an American girl came to us. She asked us to arrange her passage."

"She has been earning thousands of dollars a year in America as a model. She has a New York pent-house, a luxury car, and a home in the country over there."

"The war has forced her to stay here and leave a big contract in America unfulfilled—even though she was willing to spend most of what she would have earned, on

getting back to New York. We told her she would have to take her turn with the rest of them."

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AREA ATHLETIC MEETING AT SHAMSHUIPO TO-DAY

Fraser And Bankier Secure First Medal After Four Soccer Finals Lever Expected To Better Javelin Record

By "Squaddy"

I AM VERY glad to see that Sgt. Fraser, Royal Scots, and L/Cpl. Bankier, Royal Scots, have at last succeeded in getting a trophy for football. This season, they have played in four Finals—The Lai Wah Cup Final against Civilians, The Kotewall Cup Final against South China, The International Cup Final for Scotland against England, and the last Final in the Governor's Cup competition.

ATHLETICS

THE Area Athletic Meeting will commence to-day at Shamshuiipo at 2.30 p.m. It is being held on the Middlesex Regimental Sports ground owing to the uncertainty of the weather and because the Polo Club ground at Boundary Street is still waterlogged. The events which will be held to-day are as follows:—

- 3.00 p.m. 110 Stone Tug-of-War—Semi-Final (A)
- 3.15 p.m. 110 Stone Tug-of-War—Semi-Final (B)
- 3.30 p.m. Throwing the Discus—Final
- 4.15 p.m. 2 Miles Relay—Heats
- 4.30 p.m. Putting the Weight—Final
- 5.15 p.m. 440 Yards Relay—Heats
- 5.30 p.m. Throwing the Hammer—Final

Teams for the Semi-Finals of the Tug-of-War: 8th Coast, R.A. v 5th A.A. R.A. Middlesex v 12th Coast, R.A.

Pte. Lever (Middlesex) is expected to better his last year's throw for the Javelin of 177 ft. 7 inches. He has also improved with his throwing of the Discus.

Royal Scots should win the Throwing the Hammer to-day. Last year their first string threw 117 ft. 2 inches.

The 2 Miles Relay was won last year by the 12th Coast Regt., R.A. in 8 mins. 45 1/5 secs.

The 440 Yards Relay was won by the Middlesex in 46 2/5 secs.

To-morrow the Sports will commence at 9.30 a.m., and continue until 5 p.m.

The Finals will be held on Thursday commencing at 2.30 p.m. and at the conclusion of the meeting H.E. Major-General A. F. Grasett, C.B., D.S.O., M.C. will

present the prizes to the winners of the Area Championship and winners of each event.

HOCKEY

IN the Colony six-a-side hockey tournament Middlesex Regt. "A" team emerged winners over C.B.A. by 5 points to 3 after a very fast and fine game of hockey. The Engineers who had a chance of pulling off this tournament were knocked out in the Third Round by C.B.A.

Middlesex deserved the win and although their team was not at full strength they played well together.

Bright, their centre-forward was absent as he was playing in the Final of the Governor's Cup.

The Final match of the Large Units Hockey league will be played at Shamshuiipo between the Middlesex, who are the winners of this league and either the 5/7th Rajput Regt. or the 2/14th Punjab Regt. for the Garrison Hockey Cup.

ONE GAME PLAYED

Considering the threatening weather and the extremely bad light, it was surprising that the Colony Lawn Tennis Singles Championship semi-final match between S. A. Rumjahn, the holder, and Tsui Wai-pui was allowed to start yesterday at H.K.C.C.

A handful of spectators saw Tsui win the only game played after being 40—15 down.

FRANKS TO TRAVEL MILES FOR HOME GAME

If E. Franks of Laichikok Prison decides to play Lawn Bowls this season for Prison Officers' Club, Stanley, he will have to travel more than any other bowler for a home game.

Last year A. Jilott, who was in charge of the Remand Prison at the Central Police Station, was considered the most travelled P.O.C. lawn bowler.

MACAO RACE HANDICAPS

Following are the handicaps for the Macao race meeting to be held on the Areia Preta Course, Macao, on Sunday, May 4:—

"THE KWAN CHAP HANDICAP" (First Section)—Six Furlongs.

Dow-Jones (142), Heddon (142), Lancashire Club (141), Piet Hein (159), National Success (152), New Bedford (135) and Radium Star (140).

"THE KWAN CHAP HANDICAP" (Second Section)—Six Furlongs.

Black Diamond (145), Cuban Love (135), Hopeful Time (152), Mac's Adventure (152), National Anthem (140), Sunshine Susie (140) and Sports Venture (152).

"THE KWAN CHAP HANDICAP" (Third Section)—Six Furlongs.

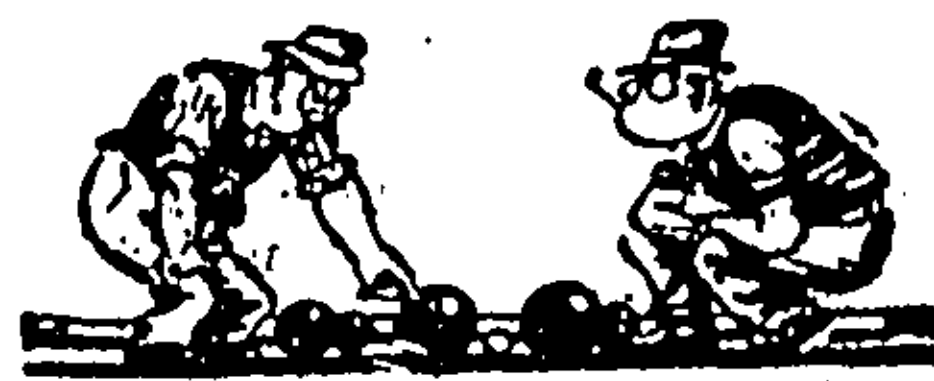
Cloudy Star (146), Double Up (135), Eagle (158), Iron Knight (135), National Triumph (149) and The Mermaid (153).

"THE NAM WAN HANDICAP"—Six Furlongs.

King's Worthy (135), Lovely Star (159), Portrush (135), Royal Highness (135) and West Lake (142).

"THE CHAIRMAN'S CUP"—One Mile.

Country Flower (140), Coureur Bleu (140), Fairy Auk (152), Fairy Ousel (150), Hogmanay (150), Hohenfels (140), Meadow Eve (148), Merry Fatty (140), Merry Maker (140), Rothsay Bay (140), Shanghai 4 (154), Shih Yin Grand (140), Victory Life (155) and Wood Nymph (140).



POLICE BOWLS PRACTICE TO-DAY

Police Recreation Club are holding an intra-Club match to-day, after which their League teams for the coming Saturday will be selected.

Following have been asked to attend:

C. Gough, G. Perkins, A. E. Carey and E. G. Post (skip) v G. Davis, H. Brown, W. MacHardy and W. Mair (skip).

W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd (skip) v J. Hayward, C. Pile, S. Nolan and F. C. Channing (skip).

A. Soutar, J. S. Riddell, J. McWalter and G. S. Alexander (skip) v C. Howell, R. Mackenzie, W. MacDonald and A. E. Aitken (skip).

Reserves:—R. C. Fitches, H. B. Dewar, J. Hunter, D. Taylor, A. Davitt, A. Stewart, A. Wilcox, W. Tillman, A. Smith and W. Gowen.

BADMINTON FINALS PROSPECTS DISCUSSED

By "Adrem"

THE FINALS OF THE VARIOUS COLONY CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS BEING HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF HONG KONG BADMINTON ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD AT KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB, THIS EVENING AND ON THURSDAY.

In view of the fine displays of both men, much speculation has been caused as to the respective merits of Wong and Choy, the singles finalists.

Whereas Choy is conceded to be the more complete player, with the added asset of having any amount of stamina, Wong has earned for himself the reputation of being a dour fighter with a great defence, who has in the past, beaten many a player acknowledged as his superior. Wong's short game is also very accurate and he has the ability to vary his pace and direction with great skill.

Choy has the better smash—the best in the Colony—but Wong has shown his ability to pick up smashes at singles. I have not really seen Choy extended as yet but unless he has more up his sleeve than he has revealed thus far, I feel justified in going against public opinion and backing Wong to retain his title, although I do this with my tongue very much in my cheek.

Change Of Opinion.

Prior to the display of Hooi and Miss Khoo in their semi-final against Oliveira and Miss Silva, I expected them to win the mixed doubles title. Now I am inclined to change my opinion. Miss Khoo is a good player but her positional play is very poor, whereas Mrs. Castro, her opposite number, has learned the importance of staying out at the net and thus letting her partner assume most of the work.

The strength of a chain is its weakest link and if Miss Khoo will persist in trying to match a player like Choy, her side is bound to lose.

Because of their better balance and long experience of each other's type of play, I fancy Hooi and H. F. Chew to beat Choy and K. B. Low in the other major event. Whatever happens, however, the match should be a close one.

In the minor events, Young (junior singles), Fisher and Wynter-Blyth (junior doubles), and Misses M. Silva and Miss M. Xavier (women's doubles) are favoured to secure titles.

All in all the badminton to-day and Thursday should be really first-class, with the added spice of uncertainty, and thus speculation added to provide that interest which should attract record crowds on both days.

ANOTHER MATCH TO-NIGHT

I have just been informed that Young will after all meet Chelliah in a junior singles semi-final and the match will start at 8 p.m.

To-day

Following is the programme: 8.00 p.m. Junior Singles, Semi-Final:—T. S. Young (Chinese "Y") v D. Chelliah (University).

8.30 p.m. Women's Doubles, Final:—Miss M. M. Silva and Miss M. A. Xavier (Recrelo) v Mrs. Torrible and Mrs. Zimmern.

9 p.m. Men's Junior Doubles, Final:—A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth (Kowloon C.C.) v C. C. Pereira and A. E. Xavier (Recrelo).

9.30 p.m. Men's Senior Singles, Final:—Patrick H. Wong (holder) (Chinese Y.M.C.A.) v K. W. Choy (University).

Thursday

8.30 p.m. Mixed Doubles, Final:—P. K. Hooi and Miss Ulan Khoo (University) v K. W. Choy and Mrs. Castro.

9 p.m. Men's Junior Singles,

HOW THEY REACHED THE FINAL

How to-day's finalists attained that mark:—

Women's Doubles

Miss M. M. Silva and Miss M. A. Xavier beat Miss J. Chou and Miss Churn, 15-4, 15-1; beat Miss M. Ribiero and Mrs. O. M. Silva, 15-11, 15-12.

Mrs. Torrible and Mrs. Zimmern beat Miss M. Noronha and Miss I. Pereira, 15-2, 15-2; beat Mrs. N. Castro and Miss T. Gonzales, 15-9, 15-11.

Men's Junior Doubles

A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter Blyth beat P. A. Vyanovich and B. T. Gosano, 15-2, 15-5; beat R. M. Lavalie and N. A. Beltrao, 15-3, 15-1; beat J. L. Anderson and W. Gillies, 18-13, 18-16.

C. C. Pereira and A. E. Xavier beat J. Hooi and T. B. Teoh, 15-6, 15-11; beat P. C. Leung and K. F. Chiu, 11-15, 15-17, 18-17; beat T. S. Young and M. K. Fung, 15-12, 15-8.

Men's Senior Doubles

K. W. Choy and K. B. Low beat J. J. Remedios and H. F. Gonsalves, 15-4, 15-10; beat P. Wong and C. Au, 17-15, 15-7.

P. K. Hooi and H. F. Chew beat C. Y. Yung and S. Koh, 15-12, 15-8; beat M. P. Young and Y. P. Young, 15-4, 15-11.

Final:—T. S. Young (Chinese Y.M.C.A.) v A. L. Fisher (Kowloon C.C.).

9.30 p.m. Men's Senior Doubles, Final:—P. K. Hooi and H. F. Chew (University) v K. W. Choy and K. B. Low (University).

BADMINTON "GREENS" AWARDED

Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo and Mr. George She were unanimously elected honorary legal advisers of the Hong Kong University Athletic Association at the second Council Meeting held recently, at the Union Assembly Room.

It was also decided that Messrs. P. S. Bun, M. S. Lim and H. F. Chew be awarded the badminton "green" for their remarkable skill in the game.

Mr. T. T. Lim was given a tennis "green."

The meeting was presided over by Mr. K. S. Oh, President of the Association.

K.F.C. BOWLS TEAM FOR TO-MORROW

Following have been chosen to represent K.F.C. against the Kowloon Docks R.C. at Hung Hom to-morrow at 5.15 p.m. sharp:

A. MacIntyre, C. Dowman, T. Ferguson and W. Simpson (skip). A. Lapsley, V. Atienza, V. Chittenden and W. Field (skip).

W. Naef, A. Eastman, P. Younghusband and E. Kern (skip).

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There are about 140 apprentices weighing between 5st 7lb and 8st. Only a small proportion of apprentices secured peacetime opportunities, but now nearly all will be given engagements. Those who have ridden winners are certain of plenty of riding.

Gordon Richards, who has been the champion jockey for many years, volunteered for service, but was rejected. He will be riding this season. Other prominent jockeys will don the silks when leave permits. Owners, trainers, and everybody concerned in racing have fallen into line.

Restricted Fixtures

The Jockey Club's policy, with the Government's approval, provides a restricted fixtures list for the season's first three months. This policy might be defined as one which has solely racing's business needs in mind, including the future of the breeding industry.

Horses in training in 1941 number about 2,300, about a quarter of the number in training two years ago. Entries for Lincoln, the season's opening meeting, are about half the pre-war strength. The jumping season now ending has been remarkably successful, and there have been large crowds despite the transport restrictions. As many as 40 starters have competed in some hurdles and steeplechases. Fields of 30 were common.

Miss Dorothy Paget often has several starters in a race. She had three winners at a recent meeting. It is evident that racing, apart from the breeding viewpoint, provides relief from war strain, which members of the fighting services, both men and women, also business men, welcome. There are at least two greyhound meetings in the London area daily. These are held in the afternoons, and night workers mostly attend them.

HOME SOCCER FIXTURES

The following football matches will be played on May 3 at Home:

International

Scotland v England

London Cup

Chelsea v Queen's Park Rangers
Arsenal v Tottenham

Football League (South)

Bournemouth v Southampton
Brighton v Watford
Luton v Portsmouth
Norwich v Southend

South Regional League

Aldershot v Fulham
Crystal Palace v Clapton Orient
Northampton v Millwall
Reading v West Bromwich Albion
Westham v Brentford



North Regional League

Barnsley v Chesterfield
Blackpool v Manchester City
Bradford v Rotherham
Bury v Oldham
Halifax v Middlesbrough
Manchester United v Liverpool
Newcastle v Leeds
Preston v Blackburn Rovers
Rochdale v Wrexham

Regional Match

Chester v Stoke City
Doncaster v Mansfield Town

West Regional League

Bristol City v Cardiff City
Lovells Athletic v Bath City

Midland Cup Final

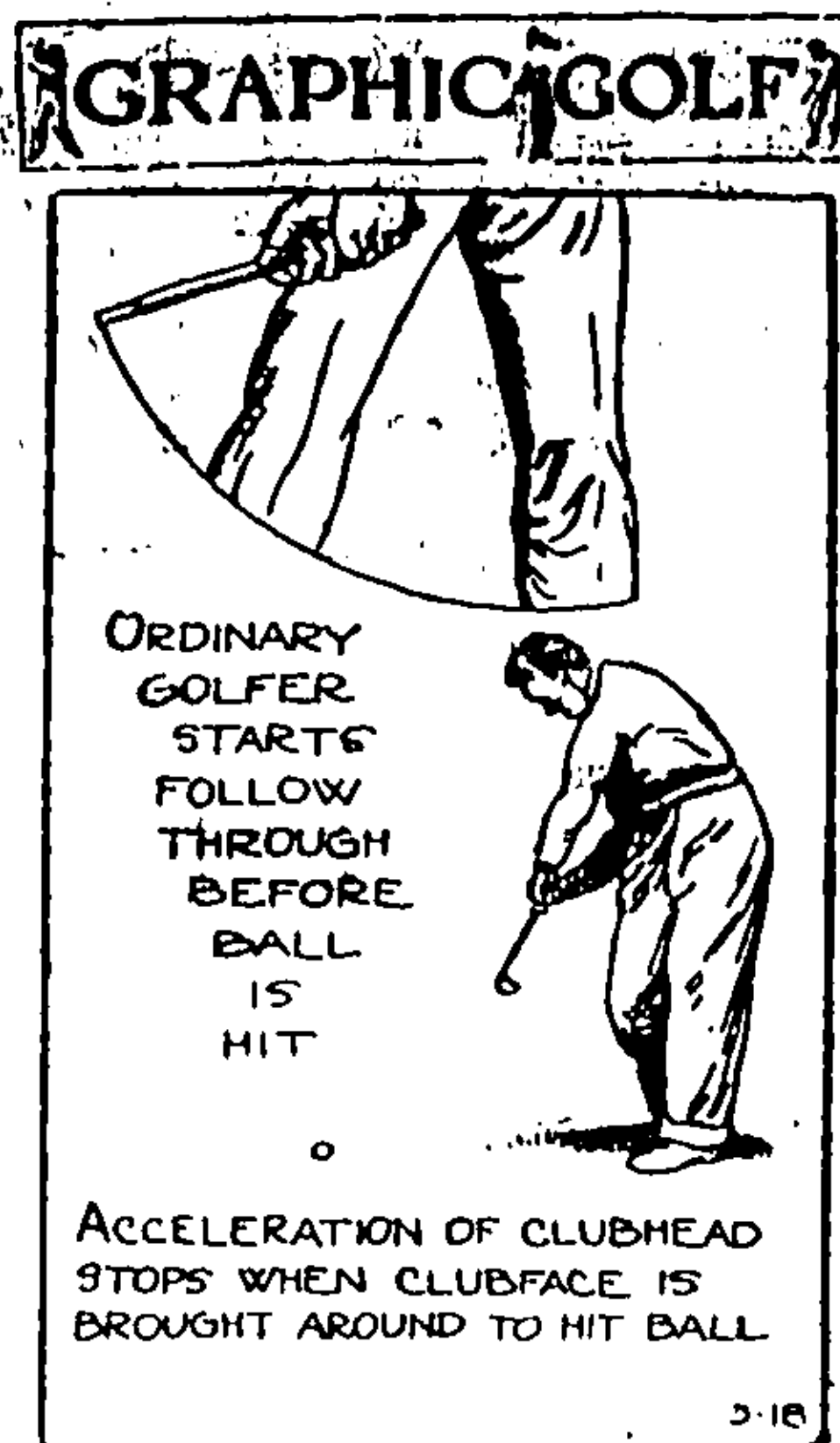
Leicester City v Walsall

Lancashire Cup (Second Round)

Everton v Burnley

Scottish South League

Albion Rovers v Dumbarton
Hearts v Queen's Park
Saint Mirren v Third Lanark
Reuter.



Where Acceleration Slows Up

By BEST BALL

The average golfer is often guilty of making his follow through even before the ball has been hit. This may sound incongruous but timing devices on high speed cameras have proved it so. There is a marked decrease in the acceleration of the clubhead prior to impact. There is also a decrease in the velocity of the clubhead but this is noticeable later.

The acceleration seems to slow up at the time the wrists start to turn in order to bring the clubface to the ball at right angles. Apparently the wrist roll used in rotating the club at this point interferes with imparting more acceleration to the clubhead. Thus the golfer in reality has expended his energy before impact with the ball is made.

Next Article.—Path of Clubhead.

JUNIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

The most important fixture in the Colony Junior Chess Championship this week, is likely to be played off to-day, between A. Y. Biriukoff and To Yu-lau. The Chinese player is Biriukoff's only remaining formidable opponent and the loss of a point will bring him within reach of four other players—Un Kwai-yung, To Yu-lau, Tausz and Danenberg. These four have lost two points each in seven games and are well placed for the remaining rounds.

Other games for the week are the following:—J. H. d'Almeida v A. Kurrik, R. C. Danenberg v Un Kwai-yung, J. Tausz v A. Morton, E. M. Petrove v V. V. Kolatchoff, and R. C. Gardner v Wm. Lee.



HOME RACING

The following are the probable starters and jockeys for 2,000 Guineas which will be run tomorrow.

Mister Sawyer (Bridgland), Usenge (E. Smith), Devonian (Perryman), Sellm Hassan (Barr), Sollum (C. Richards), Starwort (J. Taylor), King's Jester (Gethin), Annatom (S. Wragg), Morogoro (H. W. A. Ragg), Owen Tudor (Gordon Richards), Burningham (Lowrey), Sun Castle (Beasley), Orthodox (D. Smith), The Derby Star (Maher), Sun Ray (A. W. Ragg), Camperdown (Littlewood), Chanda (Lacey), Sunny Island (Nevett), Lambersimnel (Elliott), Fairy Price (Lane).—Reuter.

Ryan Fails In Eighth Round

At Nottingham recently Jackie Paterson retained his British and Empire fly-weight championship, defeating Paddy Ryan on a technical knock-out.

The referee stopped the bout with Ryan helpless midway through the eighth round.

Paterson demonstrated to me two things (writes Norman Hurst) — that he is a great and worthy champion and that, provided he can continue to make it, there is no man at the weight in the world who can beat him.

Ryan did fairly well for the first three rounds. Then in the fourth he ran into his old trouble, cuts over his eyes.

These cuts were brought about through fair and legitimate punches. So far as Ryan was concerned it was just tough luck.

Only One Result

From the fourth round onwards it was plain he was wearying, and his gameness and willingness were not enough against the snappy and precise punching of the champion.

There were two highlights in the fight — in the sixth round and in the last round.

In the sixth round Ryan started an attack, but suddenly Paterson sent him to the ropes with a hard left to the jaw. The Irish lad pluckily tore back

to attack, and Paterson measured him with a terrific left to the jaw as he came in followed by a right to the body, and Ryan went clean over the bottom rope on to the outside platform, gripping the bottom rope to save himself from rolling on to the floor.

Game To End

Ryan managed to beat the count, but he was wobbly-kneed and glassy-eyed as he pulled himself erect.

It was a question of how long the little battler could withstand the fury of the cool, deadly attack of the title-holder.

He was battered around the ring so badly that there were cries of "Stop it" from the crowd.

It was plain, however, the end was in sight. It came in the eighth.

TUNNICLIFFE HAS NARROW ESCAPE

I hear from Sir Stanley Jackson that old friend John Tunnicliffe, one of the greatest of Yorkshire opening batsmen, was buried for three and a half hours in an air raid but survived, writes a Home correspondent.

Long John, of Pudsey, now 74 (ye gods, how tempus fugit), very long and lean with telescopic arms, a terror in the slips, where, with Wainwright as second gravedigger, they snapped over 900 victims between them.

John was an earnest Nonconformist, and often preached on Sundays during tours.

Tunnicliffe and Brown's first-wicket 554 stood up as a record for 34 years, when another Pudsey man called Sutcliffe beat it by one run with Holmes in the partnership.

Remember the heartbreak that one run caused? When the scoreboard said 555, Sutcliffe (313) threw his wicket away. Then scorers broke the news that the board had one run too many up — anxious conference.

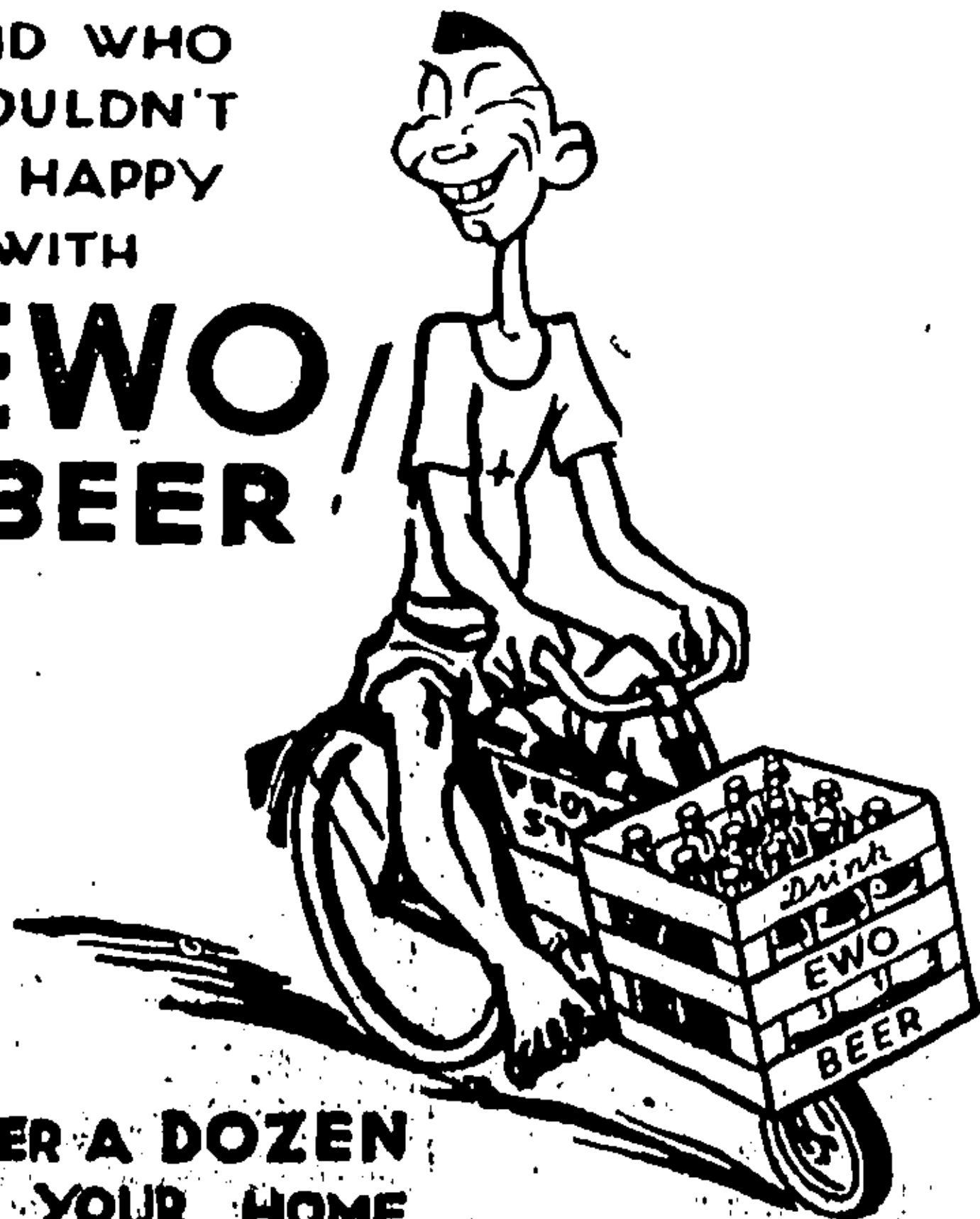
Later a missing no-ball was traced, the books put right, and Yorkshire breathed again.

A Physical Training Display will be held by the C. M. S. Heep Yun School on the School grounds (near Kowloon City), on Saturday, from 3 to 4.30 p.m.

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NATIONAL GOVERNMENT IN AUSTRALIA

Mr. D. O. Watkins, Member of the House of Representatives for Newcastle (New South Wales), one of the strongest Labour constituencies, declared in Sydney yesterday that Labour should either attempt to govern or enter a National Government.

He is the first Labour member to express publicly views which are held privately by many other Labour members. — Reuter.

FRITZ KREISLER CRITICALLY ILL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") The condition of Fritz Kreisler, the world-famous violinist, who is still in hospital after being knocked down by a lorry, is stated to be critical. — International News Service.

GREEK CREDITS FROZEN

President Roosevelt yesterday ordered the immediate freezing of Greek credits and cash in the United States, says a Reuter message from Washington.

Offensive Patrols Over France

A NEW STIRLING BOMBER of the R.A.F. Bomber Command carried out a daring and successful daylight attack on Emden yesterday, it is learned in London.

The aircraft came down to a low altitude, dropped a heavy load of bombs and then opened machine-gun fire from a height of 1,500 feet.

Defying a heavy storm of A.A. fire, British Blenheim bombers yesterday pressed home an attack from a low altitude on two enemy destroyers escorting supply ships off the Dutch coast.

Their bombs were seen to strike home and one of the enemy warships was later seen spouting a great volume of smoke and came to a standstill, says an Air Ministry communiqué.

Four aircraft are missing. Bombs were dropped on a factory and railway yards at Moppel, near the Zuyder Zee, and other targets were Den Helder dock and De Kooy aerodrome. One aircraft is missing.

Offensive Patrols

British fighters destroyed an enemy bomber off the Dutch coast. One fighter is missing.

It is also believed the R.A.F. carried out offensive patrols on the other side of the Channel again yesterday.

There was considerable air activity over the Straits of Dover and the south-east coast of England.

Small formations of British fighters and a group of bombers with a fighter escort were seen flying towards the French coast. — Reuter.

LINDBERGH LETTER TO PRESIDENT

In his letter to President Roosevelt, tendering his resignation, Colonel Lindbergh said "Your remarks at the White House at a press conference on April 25, involving my Reserve commission, disturbed me greatly

"I had hoped I might exercise the right as an American citizen to place my point of view in peacetime without giving up the privilege of serving my country as a member of the Air Corps, and in view of the other implications you, my present superior officer, made concerning my loyalty to my country, my character and my motives, I see no honourable alternative other than tendering my resignation as colonel in the Air Corps Reserve.

"I take this action with the utmost regret for my relationship with the Air Corps was one of the things that meant most to me in my life.

"I place it second only to my right as a citizen to speak freely to my fellow countrymen and discuss with them the issues of war and peace which confront the nation in this crisis.

"I will continue service to my country to the best of my ability as a private citizen." — Reuter.

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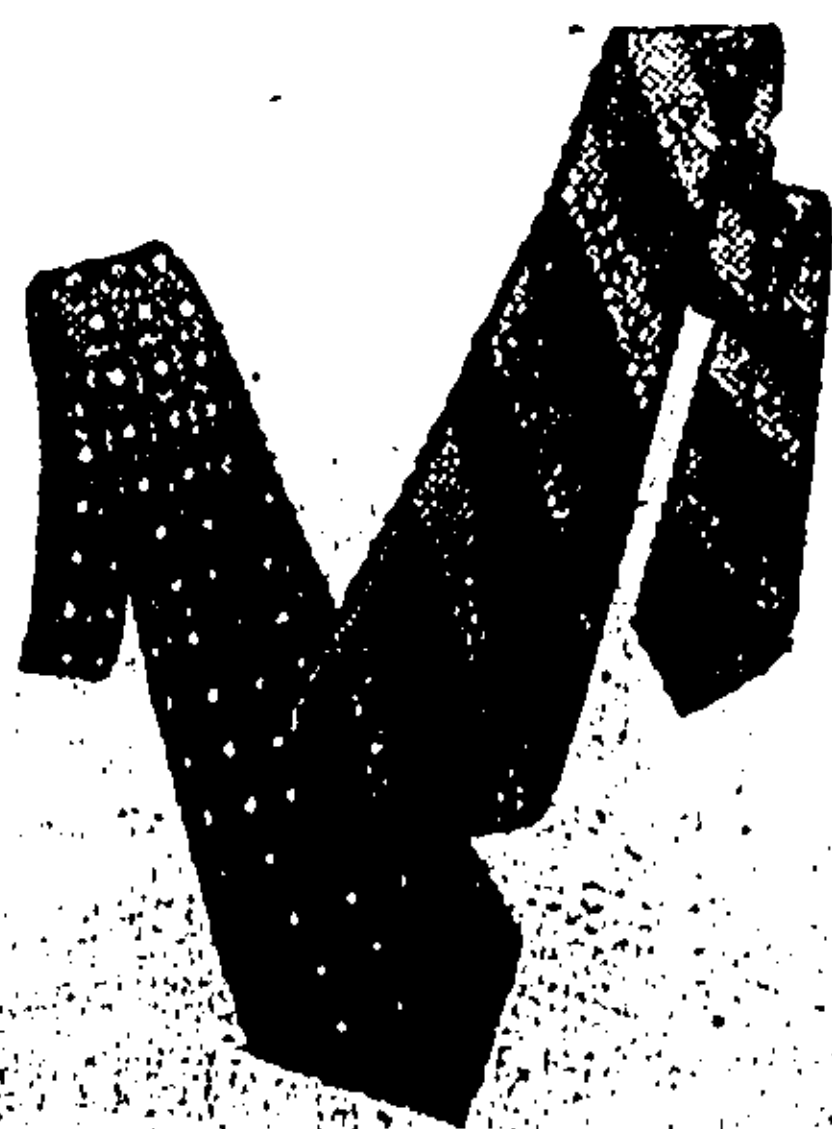
A certain section of the Iran press, however, has played up the news of German successes in Greece and the advance in Libya, according to reliable news received in London, states Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

There is much speculation as to German plans and the attitude of Turkey is watched with the greatest interest. — Reuter.

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LINCOLN EXPRESS TRAGEDY

Six boys of Ampleforth College, Yorkshire, were killed and seven injured when they jumped from a blazing coach at the rear of the midday London-Newcastle express yesterday near Claypole, Lincolnshire.

TWO SONS OF THE BELGIAN PRIME MINISTER, M. PIERLOT, ARE REPORTED TO BE AMONG THE KILLED, AND ANOTHER SON WAS AMONG SEVERAL BOYS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL SUFFERING FROM BURNS.

Official account of the tragedy says the coach next to the rear brake van caught fire.

The train was stopped and every effort made to extinguish the fire but the coach immediately in front and the brake van behind caught fire before the train could be uncoupled and cleared of the blazing coach. The coach in which the fire started was reserved for 64 Ampleforth College boys, and a number of them jumped from the train before it could be brought to a standstill.—Reuter.

MURDER OF FAMILY ALLEGED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

EASER GIBSON, 32-YEAR-OLD FARMER AND RELIGIOUS FANATIC, WAS CHARGED AT MOBILE (ALABAMA) YESTERDAY WITH THE MURDER OF HIS WIFE AND THEIR FIVE CHILDREN.

The mother and the children, aged from seven months to seven years, were found burned to death in the ruins of a farmhouse near Mobile.

Officials believe they were dead before the house was set on fire. Gibson refused to make a statement.—International News Service.

SLIGHT AIR ACTIVITY

GERMAN AIR ACTIVITY OVER BRITAIN YESTERDAY WAS VERY SLIGHT.

A few bombs were dropped on the north-east coast of Scotland and the east and north-east coast of England but very small damage was done.

A few were injured, says the official British communiqué.—Reuter.

Attack Believed Stalled To East Of Sollum

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

BRITISH WARSHIPS AND MOTORISED TROOPS ARE FIGHTING SAVAGELY TO STEM A MULTI-HEADED ITALO-GERMAN DRIVE WHICH IS ACKNOWLEDGED TO HAVE CROSSED THE EGYPTIAN FRONTIER NEAR SOLLUM (WHICH IS BELIEVED TO HAVE FALLEN) AND TO HAVE PENETRATED TO THE REGION OF SIDI BARRANI.

While warships heavily shelled Axis forces advancing along the sea road, Cairo military circles said British land forces are harassing the enemy's flanks.

Latest issued Cairo communique suggests that the attack has been stalled well short of Sidi Barrani.

There is no indication that the Italian and German forces are advancing southward through Egypt.—International News Service.

Reuter quotes authoritative quarters in Cairo as stating last night that it is believed that Sollum, which is a frontier post, is in enemy hands following the thrust across the Egyptian border from Libya at the weekend.

Great satisfaction is felt in Cairo military circles at the fall of Dessie, in northern Abyssinia, which is on the main road from Addis Ababa.

Road Junction

Dessie is also at the junction of the road leading north-west to Gondar, where the Italians still hold out, and that running north-east to the Red Sea port of Assab.

The Italian forces defending Dessie were actually defeated at Kombolcha Pass, 14 miles to the south.

IT IS POSSIBLE THAT PART OF THE DESSIE GARRISON HAS WITHDRAWN TOWARDS GONDAR, WHICH IS NORTH OF LAKE TANA.

Meanwhile, according to the German radio last night, the Germans had great difficulty in finding the British force which carried out a destructive raid on the Libyan port of Bardia.

Call For Help

The announcer described how detachments of Storm Troops were sent out in pitch darkness following a call for help from a German wireless car.

The car was found empty but there was no sign of the British. Suddenly there were heavy detonations from several places.

The announcer claimed that eventually one major, two cap-

tains and 65 other ranks were captured.—Reuter.

Not Advancing

Although the situation around Sollum is not clear there seems little doubt that the enemy is not pushing forward the advance made on Saturday evening, when detachments penetrated five or six miles across the frontier on which Sollum is situated.

Latest information from Cairo shows that the R.A.F. is busy harassing the enemy's efforts to reinforce advanced elements.—British Wireless.

ISLAND RAMPART OF LIBERTY

"Destiny has chosen two islands as the last but worthy rampart of the free peoples of Europe—the great island of Britain and this Greek island," declared the Greek Prime Minister, M. Tsouderos, in a speech at Canoe (Crete) yesterday.

"The people of these islands are fighting the supreme battle of liberty. A black flood has swept over Europe. Humanity has known in the past similar barbaric invasions but the civilisation of free men has always prevailed.

"THE MOVING SPECTACLE OF RESISTANCE TO THE AGGRESSORS HAS BEEN PRESENTED BY EVEN SMALL ISLANDS LIKE LEMNOS AND SAMOTHRACE, AND THE SPLENDID EXAMPLE SET BY THE GREEK PEOPLE AS A WHOLE IN FIGHTING SIX MONTHS AGAINST AN EMPIRE.

"We have come to this land of liberty and courage in order that we should not allow ourselves to be enslaved and to continue the fight."—Reuter.

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The 5,000-ton German Hamburg-America freighter IDARWALD was recently intercepted by a patrolling British warship off Cuba. The German crew at once scuttled their ship, set her on fire and took to their boats. The British ship fought the fires and took the IDARWALD in tow, but she shortly afterwards had to be cast off and sank. The blazing bridge of the IDARWALD burns furiously, but the fire is brought under control. The German freighter however, is gradually sinking as her sea-cocks have been destroyed and cannot be closed.

MAYNARD KEYNES TO MAKE OFFICIAL TRIP TO WASHINGTON

THE FAMOUS BRITISH ECONOMIST, MR. J. M. KEYNES, MEMBER OF THE ECONOMIC ADVISORY COUNCIL, IS MAKING A BRIEF VISIT TO WASHINGTON AT THE REQUEST OF THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER.

He will confer with the United States Administration and the British Supply Council on the operation of the Lease and Lend Act and other related matters.

The name Keynes has been known since the outbreak of war in connection with his plans for compulsory savings, aimed at curtailing private expenditure.

General idea of this plan was borrowed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer in his new Budget, which provides for crediting to taxpayers a portion of their Income Tax for use by them after the war.

Mr. Keynes was a Civil Servant for 13 years and is now back at the Treasury. He drafted some intricate agreements for the inter-Allied loans in the last War and was the Treasury's principal adviser at the Peace Conference. —Reuter.

THE VON WERRA INCIDENT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE GERMAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY DIFFERENTIALLY ACCUSED THE U.S. GOVERNMENT OF VIOLATING INTERNATIONAL LAW IN ITS TREATMENT OF GERMAN PRISONERS WHO HAVE ESCAPED TO AMERICAN SOIL FROM INTERNMENT IN CANADA.

The Nazi Embassy contested the treatment by Federal officials of von Werra, the German air ace, and challenged American right, as a neutral, to apply its domestic immigration laws to such German nationals.

They contend that von Werra acted within his international rights in fleeing the United States by jumping his \$10,000 bond. —International News Service.

WAR ZONE COURTS

War zone courts, to operate in any area invaded or heavily bombarded, have been formally established throughout England and Wales.

An Order was made yesterday by Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Minister of Home Security, under the Defence Regulations, dividing the country into 12 districts broadly corresponding to the civil defence regions.

A number of High Court judges will be appointed to act as presidents of the courts, which cannot function until an area has been declared a war zone by the Minister of Home Security.

Only cases of crime, calling for speed, will be dealt with, and a panel of judges will review death sentences or other cases where the president of a court has certified there should be a review. —Reuter.

CUSTOMS ABOARD "TOMISLAV"

AN EARLY SETTLEMENT IS EXPECTED OF THE ITALIAN SEIZURE IN SHANGHAI OF THE YUGOSLAV STEAMER "TOMISLAV."

Following Japanese-Italian discussions eight members of the Chinese Maritime Customs police boarded the steamer yesterday and will share watch with the Italian guards until the incident is settled. —Reuter.

GERMANY THINKING OF COLONIES!

Preparations are being made to form a German Colonial Ministry, said the Wilhelmstrasse spokesman yesterday, Germany regarding her colonial claims as "irrevocable." —Reuter.

NORWAY'S LEADERS GAOLED

Included in the latest list of 143 political prisoners in Oslo's principal gaol are many well-known Norwegians — ship-owners, editors, teachers and a supreme court judge.

This is according to the Norwegian telegraph agency in London yesterday, which adds the gaol also holds two British prisoners of war and several German and Spanish refugees.

The prisoners also include three German S.S. men and a German major, apparently as a result of frequent internal quarrels in the German civil and military forces. —Reuter.

RICE SOARS TO NEW HIGH LEVEL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Despite the Shanghai Municipal Council announcement that it will ship rice from Hong Kong and sell to retailers at cost, in order to relieve the food crisis, number one Saigon rice soared \$10 per zah over the week-end, reaching an all-time high of \$138 per zah.

Other grades increased accordingly. —International News Service.

MR. CHURCHILL STIRS AMERICA

"Only Shot And Shell Can Halt Conquest"—Mr. Bullitt

Provision Of Convoys May Soon Become Live Issue

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

OFFICIALDOM IN Washington greeted with mixed sentiments Mr. Churchill's assurances that American patrol ships would enter actual combat zones.

The United States capital got its first specific definition of this measure in the British Prime Minister's worldwide radio address.

Giving thanks to President Roosevelt for his announcement that the neutrality patrol would be extended wherever necessary to assure the security of the western hemisphere, Mr. Churchill provided information that U. S. warships would operate "outside the combat zones."

This has encouraged the non-interventionists in Washington, while some Administration supporters even advocate the virtual delivery of war goods to Britain.

Make Victory Sure

Mr. Sol Bloom, terming Mr. Churchill's speech a "calm and courageous review of the situation," said President Roosevelt must make "unflinching" use of his powers to "insure that victory is put in England's hands."

Mr. William Bullitt, former Ambassador to France, in a speech urged that cargoes be "delivered" to England as well as China.

Mr. Bullitt warned that only "shot and shell" can halt or alter world conquest and America is ready to fight for her freedom.—International News Service.

Battle Under Way

The battle for convoys for Britain is now fully under way, says Reuter, and Mr. Churchill's broadcast is widely regarded in Washington as changing the idea of "give us tools" to "deliver us tools."

A request made by Mr. John D. Rockefeller Jr. for convoys, and Mr. William Bullitt's impassioned plea for all aid at the risk of war, are other powerful blows in favour of convoys.

Various pro-Allied committees throughout the United States have also joined the cry.

A new organisation called the "Fight for Freedom Committee" has been formed, sponsored by prominent writers, journalists, lawyers, members of film, advertisers and others.

Test To-morrow

This body is urging that all should write to their Congressmen saying the Fleet should control the Atlantic and convoy food and war materials, otherwise the Lease and Lend Act cannot be made effective.

Congressional opinion will become apparent when a resolution forbidding convoys comes before the Senate Committee on Wednesday.

This is expected to be defeated, and this decision, though negative, will help renew the public call for convoys, which most well-informed people in Washington believe must come soon.—Reuter.

Deep Impression

Mr. Bullitt's speech appears to have deeply impressed everyone and was given prominence in the press everywhere. A large audience frequently interrupted him with cheers.

Mr. Bullitt's forthright denunciation of Japan and his demand that China be given all possible aid has heartened all China supporters in Washington.

Renewed talk of a possible visit by Mr. Matsuo to Washington resulted in the matter being brought up at Mr. Hull's press conference yesterday morning, but the Secretary of State indicated he

knew nothing and doubted such a visit would materialise with any hope of success.

Risking A Defeat

As one Far Eastern observer told Reuter, having increased his political stature at home by his success in Moscow, Mr. Matsuo was scarcely likely to risk it by a defeat in Washington, and until Japan reverses its policy regarding the Axis it is difficult to see how anything but failure can face him should he come to Washington.—Reuter.

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GIFT OF AUSTRALIA TO GREECE

PRESENTING THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF GREECE, M. VRISAKIS, WITH A CHEQUE FOR £50,000, THE PROCEEDS OF GREEK DAY APPEAL IN SYDNEY, THE PREMIER OF NEW SOUTH WALES, MR. ALEXANDER MAIR, SAID YESTERDAY THAT NONE IN THEIR RIGHT SENSES WOULD HAVE DOUBTED THE EMPIRE WOULD AID GREECE.

Expressing gratitude to Australia for giving all possible support to Greece, M. Vrisakis added the Anzacs fought with undaunted courage beside the valiant Greek Army. Their mutual sacrifice would not be in vain.—Reuter.

COAL STRIKE DEADLOCK

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Mr. William Davis, chairman of the Mediation Board, announced in Washington yesterday that negotiations for settlement of the 28-day soft coal shutdown had reached a deadlock.

Mr. Davis said the differences were practically insoluble, with southern operators refusing to yield.—International News Service.

A.B. SAVED 24 IN SEA

When piloting his torpedoed shipmates to safety, an able-seaman sighted a drifting lifeboat, took it in tow, and saved the sixteen exhausted men aboard who had also been torpedoed.

For this exploit Able-Seaman Sydney Herbert Light is awarded the George Medal.

Light's ship was torpedoed at night. All hands except Light and a greaser were thrown out of a swamped boat, but eventually eight men were got aboard.

The boat drifted away from the sinking ship. Seas swept over her.

Able-Seaman Light set sail. Ships were sighted but failed to see the boat.

A lifeboat was sighted with no oars or any signs of life aboard. But there were sixteen men from a torpedoed merchant ship aboard. In spite of rising seas and wind and bailing all the time, Light towed the drifting boat until they sighted an unknown rocky shore.

There they laid off until daylight, but the boats were driven out to sea again. The men rowed all day.

Men in the towed boat were almost done when Light entered the vessel and massaged two men, gave them his stockings and dressed their wounds.

After ten days of privation, weariness and danger they sighted a British ship which answered a flare and came to the rescue.

Awards to officers and men of the British submarine Thunderbolt—originally the Thetis—for "courage, skill and seamanship in destroying an Italian submarine" were also announced.

Companion of the Distinguished Service Order: Lieutenant C. Crouch.

Distinguished Service Cross: Lieutenant J. Stevens.

Distinguished Service Medal: Chief Petty Officers C. S. Jones and J. K. Webster, Chief Engine-room Artificer W. Curtis, Engine-room Artificer Third Class W. Glass, and Acting Petty Officer Telegraphist G. Yeats.

COMMUNAL CLASH AT CAWNPORE

A CLASH BETWEEN MUSLIMS AND HINDUS OCCURRED IN A BUSY PART OF CAWNPORE YESTERDAY.

Police fired on the mob and 10 were wounded.

The situation is tense and the District Magistrate has banned an assembly of more than five persons.

The situation in Bombay city shows improvement and Ahmedabad is quiet.—Reuter.

FULL SUPPORT OF AUSTRALIA

The acting Australian Prime Minister, Mr. A. W. Fadden, has cabled Mr. Churchill "You have the full support of Australia in your great work." This is according to newspaper reports from Sydney last night, states Reuter.

AS LONG AS BRITAIN STANDS

During a review of the war situation yesterday, the Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, warned the Canadian House of Commons there would be more reverses on land and sea "but as long as Britain stands no reverse will be decisive."—Reuter.

JAPAN AND AUSTRALIA

Japan has no intention of moving against Australia, declared Mr. Kawai, Japanese Minister to Australia, in a reply in Melbourne yesterday to recent statements made in Melbourne.

He said it was the ambition of the Japanese to expand trade relations between the two countries.

Mr. Kawai called on the Australian Labour leader, Mr. Curtin, and had over one hour's conversation.

Mr. Curtin afterwards said they had a full and frank discussion of international affairs, and he would return Mr. Kawai's call.—Reuter.

BRITAIN CONFIDENT OF RESULT

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking of the work of the War Damage Commission yesterday, said Britain had made greater provision for those suffering from enemy attack than any other country in the world.

"We have made full and comprehensive provision for personal injuries and war damage and there are many arrangements and adjustments designed to assist those in financial difficulties because of the war."

"It can truly be said that no nation which was not confident both of its ability and determination to achieve victory would have embarked upon such commitments and undertakings."—British Wireless.

RALLYING POLES OF AMERICA

THE VISIT OF GENERAL SKORSKI, POLISH PRIME MINISTER, TO AMERICA HAS CONTRIBUTED IN THE HIGHEST DEGREE TO STIMULATE THE WAR EFFORT OF 5,000,000 POLES, DECLARED POLISH CIRCLES IN NEW YORK YESTERDAY.

His appeals to Poles in America to help the British and Allied cause have been heard by large and enthusiastic audiences in New York, Chicago, Detroit and Buffalo.—Reuter.

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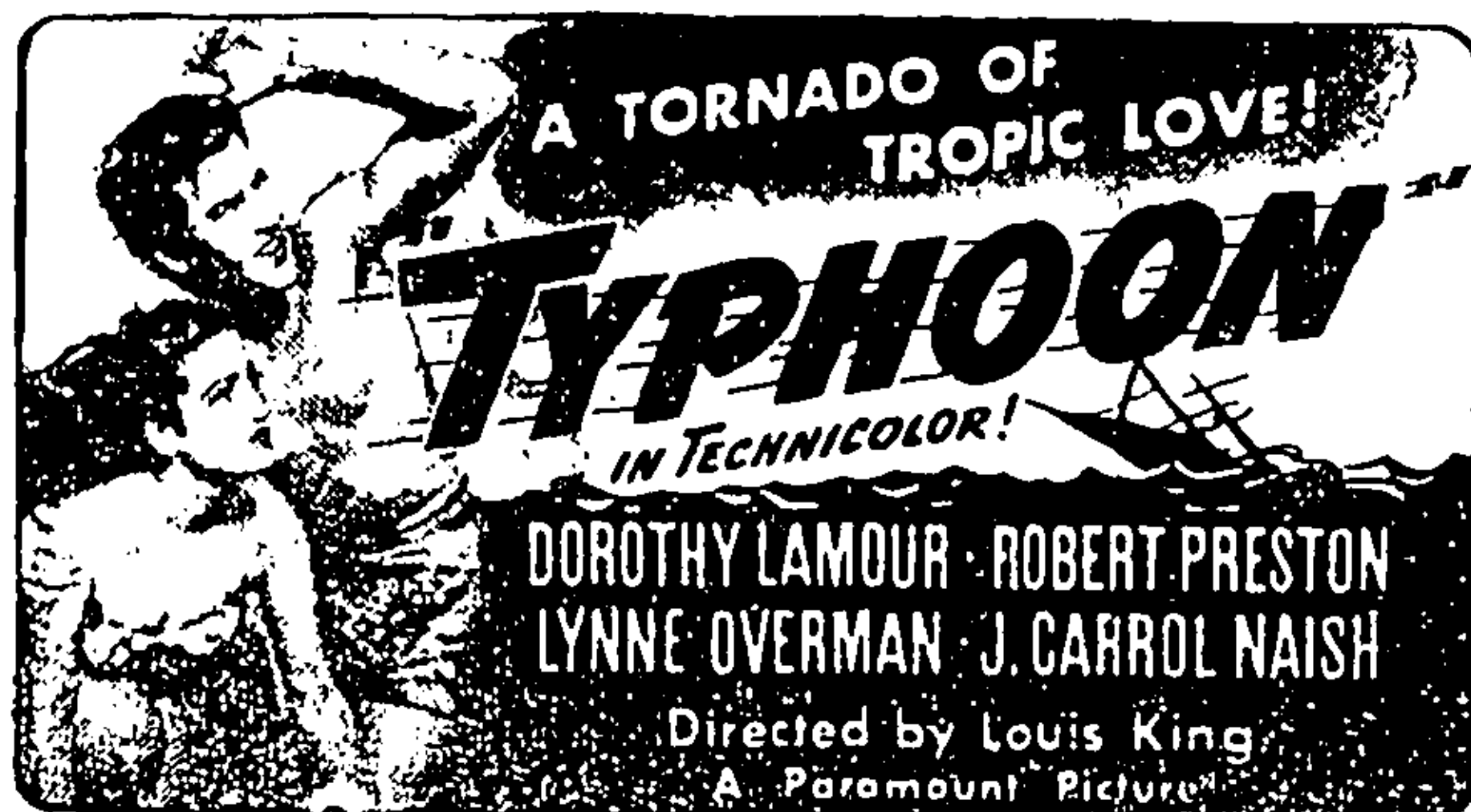
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DELICATE SITUATION ARISING AT DJIBOUTI

FREE FRENCH FORCES, supported by British motorised units, are massed on the southern frontier of French Somaliland, particularly in the neighbourhood of Daouenle station, on the Djibouti-Addis Ababa railway, according to a despatch from Djibouti, capital of French Somaliland, to Vichy yesterday.

The official French news agency says the French Government has issued the "necessary instructions" and that "there can be no question of our colony entering into negotiations with the Free French."

The agency adds that other Free French forces are believed to have landed in Zeila, in the northern part of British Somaliland.

In London, Free French Headquarters state the Vichy Government is circulating rumours concerning Free French forces, supported by British Headquarters of the Free French Forces in London believe this news, issued by Vichy, should be accepted with reserve.

Spontaneous Movement

It has every appearance of being news of a spontaneous movement in the midst of the French garrison itself at Djibouti, the feelings of whom and of the population have been known for a long time to be favourable to Free France.

It will be remembered, state Free French Headquarters, that following the armistice, Djibouti was one of the first French possessions to send out a call for resistance.—Reuter.

ON LEAVE AS BOMB WIPES OUT FAMILY

SAILORMAN LESLIE GEORGE HOOK, HOME ON LEAVE, WAS WARMLY WELCOMED BY HIS WIFE DORCAS, AND THEIR THREE-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER DELPHINE IN A SOUTH-WEST COAST TOWN.

Then the town had a short but sharp raid as the young father was emerging from his front door. Rescue parties found him dead outside his home. There was no sign of his wife and daughter—until the morning, when salvage workers discovered the body of Mrs. Hook, with little Delphine clasped in her arms on the roof of a house on the opposite side of the road. Hitler's bombs had hurled mother and baby to death. By their side were Mr. F. Field, Mrs. Hook's father, Mrs. Field, too, was killed.

The family's house was the only one to receive a direct hit.

TRAPPED BY REMARK TO CLERK

A casual remark made to a counter-clerk in a small Post Office in Scotland led to Ralph Ian Smith, twenty-five, a soldier, pleading guilty at the Old Bailey to obtaining money by means of forged Post Office Savings Bank books and withdrawal forms.

Smith was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment. The total sum involved was £80.

Detective-Sergeant Pocock said that Smith told the clerk that he had come from Croydon. Later all the records of those who had left Croydon were examined and Smith was arrested.

GANGSTER GUNS V. EUROPE'S GANGSTERS

Britain's soldiers may soon be using guns that are now the pride of Mike the Menace, Bill the Bad, Weasel-Faced, Willie and Fatist Frankie.

Under existing laws, guns seized from America's bad men are taken out to sea and dumped overboard. To-day an amendment was proposed for the Lease and Lend Bill to provide that they be sent in future to England.

AWARDS TO 4 BRAVE BOYS

Four Essex youths have been awarded the Cadet Gallantry Medal for air raid heroism.

They are Corpl. Norman Davies, seventeen, paint tester; Corpl. Geoffrey Wade, eighteen, jewellery salesman; Corpl. Frederick Edwards, seventeen, Post Office messenger; and Cadet Morris, seventeen—all members of the Ilford Air Defence Cadet Corps.

While guarding their headquarters they saw incendiaries fall on neighbouring buildings. Wade, Edwards and Morris broke into the threatened premises and extinguished the bombs, and Davies, a first-aid worker, tended their cuts and burns when they returned.

LARGEST CONVOY OF THE WAR

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

It was revealed in London yesterday that the American volunteers for the R.A.F. Empire airmen, naval units and military specialists who have arrived in England crossed the Atlantic in the largest convoy since war began.—International News Service

THE BALKANS SIDESHOW

The Swiss newspaper "Volksrecht" says that even with the German entry into Athens the war will not be decided or concluded.

The decision of defeat or victory will only be taken when mastery of the sea and air has been settled.

The "National Zeitung" declares it was clear from the outset that the campaign in Greece might influence the struggle but would never bring a final decision.

Now the question is where the attackers will choose to deliver their next offensive.

The Germans are compelled to follow the British so long as the German Command does not decide to attack the British Isles.

Suez and Gibraltar offer two nerve centres for a partial solution but the main front is England and it is there the war will be decided.—Reuter.

BOMBED OUT AT 102

Bombed out of his home, Mr. John Meredith Beale Evans, Birmingham's oldest man, has died in his 103rd year at the home of a granddaughter in Hall Green, Birmingham.

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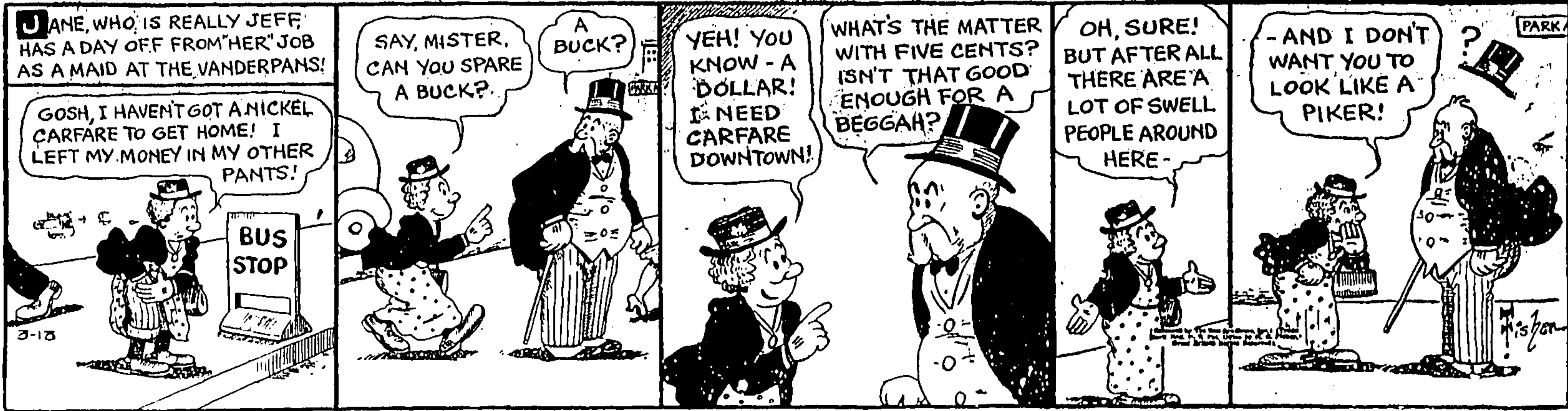
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GERMAN AIRMAN'S SUICIDE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
German bombers attacked the North East Coast of England early on Monday morning, according to an Air Ministry communique.

One enemy bomber was shot down and three members of the crew were captured. Another member of the crew committed suicide.

On the South East of England one enemy bomber was destroyed.

South West of England and the North East Scotland were also attacked during the night but damage was small and there were no casualties.

Portsmouth was raided earlier, causing damage to residential areas. Casualties were heavy, but the number of killed was not large. - International News Service.

CAPT. ROOSEVELT

Captain James Roosevelt was the guest of honour at a reception by the Hong Kong American Club yesterday.

When he leaves for Chungking, he will be accompanied by representatives of the Chinese Government.

MR. QUO TAI-CHI ENTERS ON BUSY PROGRAMME

MR. QUO TAI-CHI, new Chinese Foreign Minister, who received an ovation with Dr. Hu Shih (Ambassador to the U.S.) from a large Washington audience on Sunday night, starts a busy programme to-day which will bring him into contact with many important Congressional and Administration leaders.

To-day Mr. Quo is to see Mr. Cordell Hull and then President Roosevelt. Later he will call on Mr. Henry Wallace, the Vice-President.

To-night the Chinese Embassy will be the scene of a dinner at which Mr. Henry Morgenthau (Secretary of Treasury), Mr. Henry Stimson (Secretary of Army) and Senator Barkley will be present.

To-morrow Mr. Quo calls on Mr. Morgenthau and Mr. Jesse Jones (Federal Loan Administrator) and in the afternoon will be guest of honour at a big reception at the Embassy gardens attended by representatives of the official, diplomatic, social and press sections of Washington.

On Thursday he will be the guest of Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, at lunch, and on Friday will be entertained to lunch by Mr. Cordell Hull.

The same evening he will meet at dinner at the Chinese Embassy Mr. Jesse Jones, Professor Felix Frankfurter and Mr. Sol Bloom. -Reuter.

GREEK MET GREEK

General Papagos, commander-in-chief of the Greek Army, is a man of forceful character. He had considerable moral strength in youth according to a good but incredible story revived among the Greeks.

The general then held the rank of second-lieutenant. The Greek War Office instructed officers to carry a revolver at all times, and an officious superior saw Papagos undo his holster and take out cigarettes and matches.

Without mentioning what he had seen, the officer ordered young Papagos to follow him to headquarters. Then, he said: "I command you to shoot me." Papagos refused. His superior pressed the point.

On The Hip

"If I obey," said the future general, "I shall be court-martialed."

So the officer wrote down his command. Papagos put away the signed order and pulled his revolver from his hip pocket.

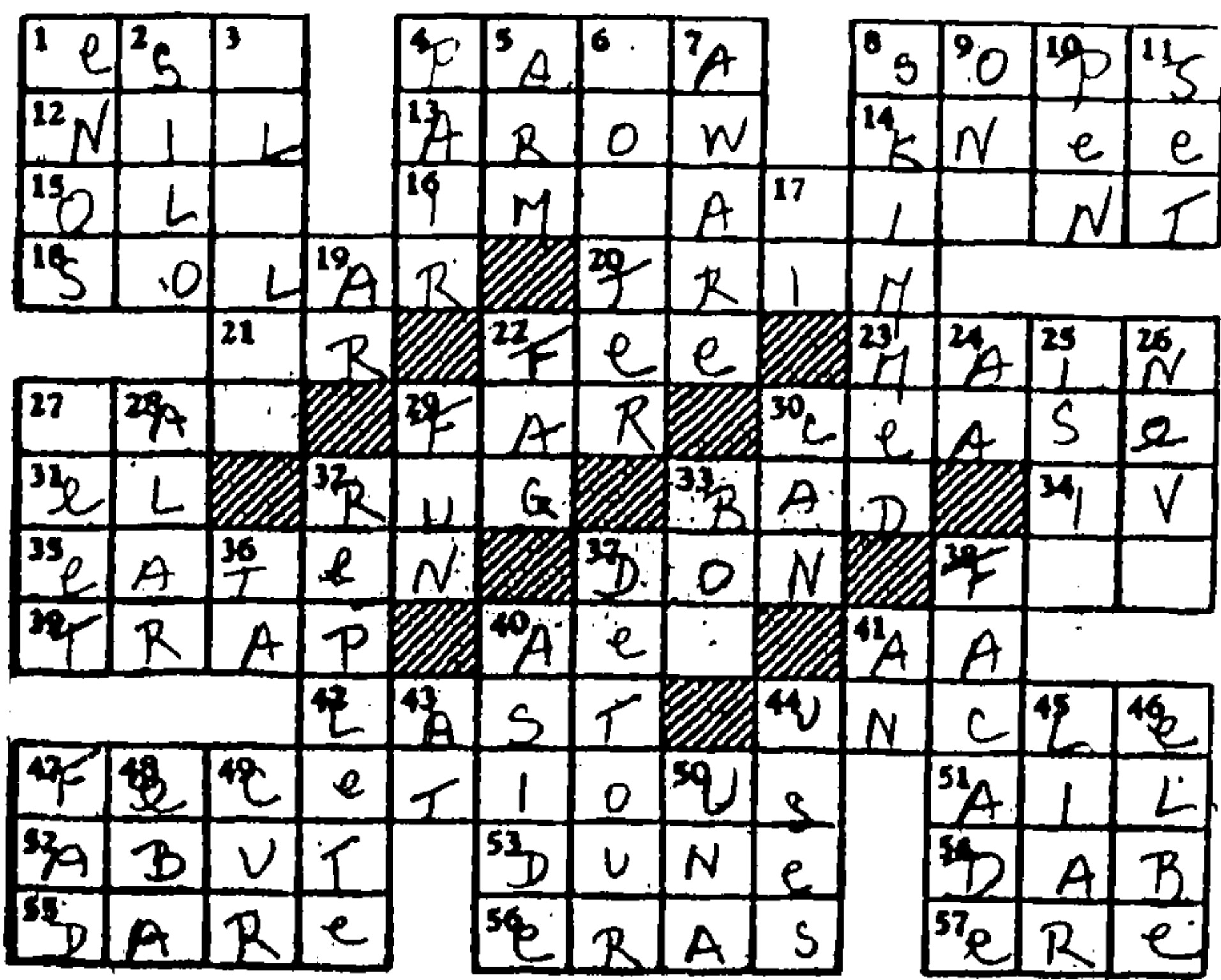
He slowly levelled it. "For God's sake stop!" cried the officer. He then signed another order cancelling the first.

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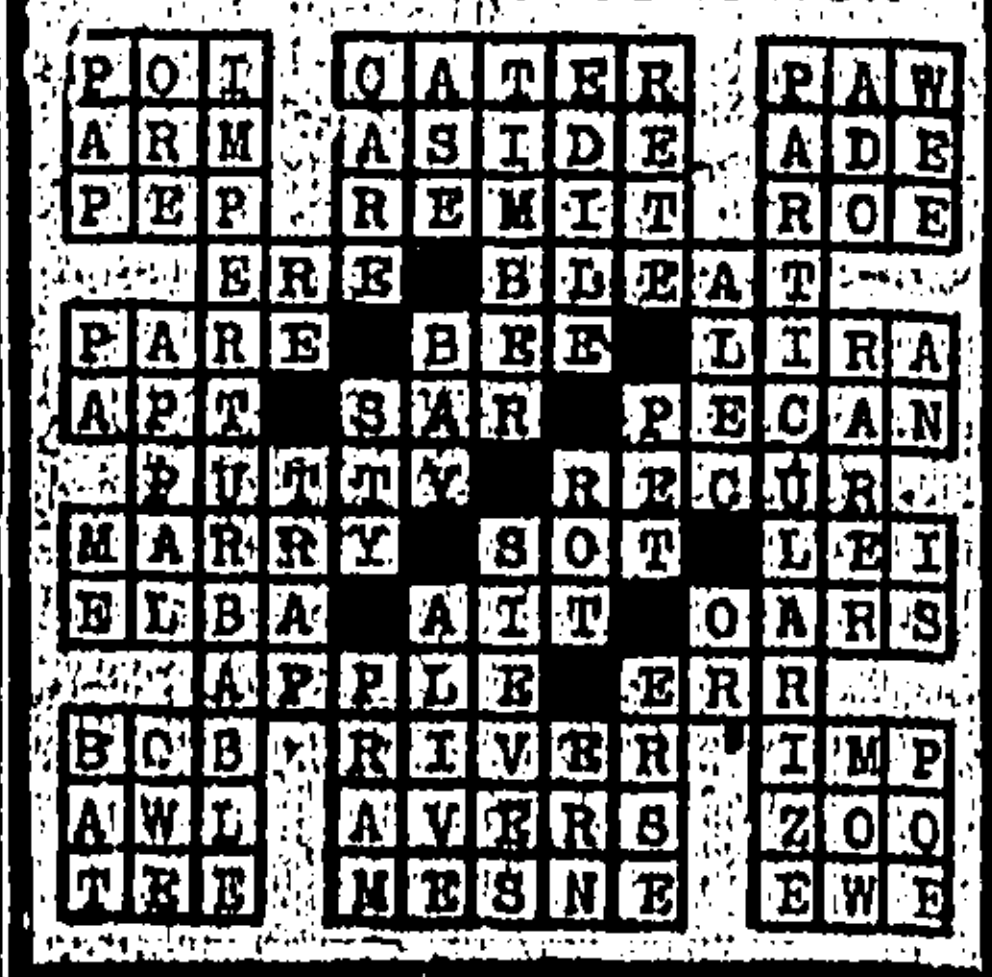
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Worm
- 4 South American rodent
- 8 Soaks
- 12 Nothing
- 13 In a line
- 14 Leg joint
- 15 Palm leaf
- 16 Anxious
- 18 Pertaining to the sun
- 20 Neat
- 21 King of Bashan
- 22 Cost
- 23 Principal
- 27 Slang: to flee
- 29 Distant
- 30 To stop
- 31 Spanish article
- 32 Carpet
- 33 Evil
- 34 Four
- 35 Consumed
- 37 To split on
- 38 Peck Gnat's mother
- 39 Snare
- 40 Roman bronze
- 41 Land measure
- 42 To endure
- 44 Male relative

VERTICAL

- 1 Man's name
- 2 Storage place for grain
- 3 Skilling race
- 4 Couple
- 5 Upper limb
- 6 Mineral
- 7 Cognizant
- 8 Passed over the surface of
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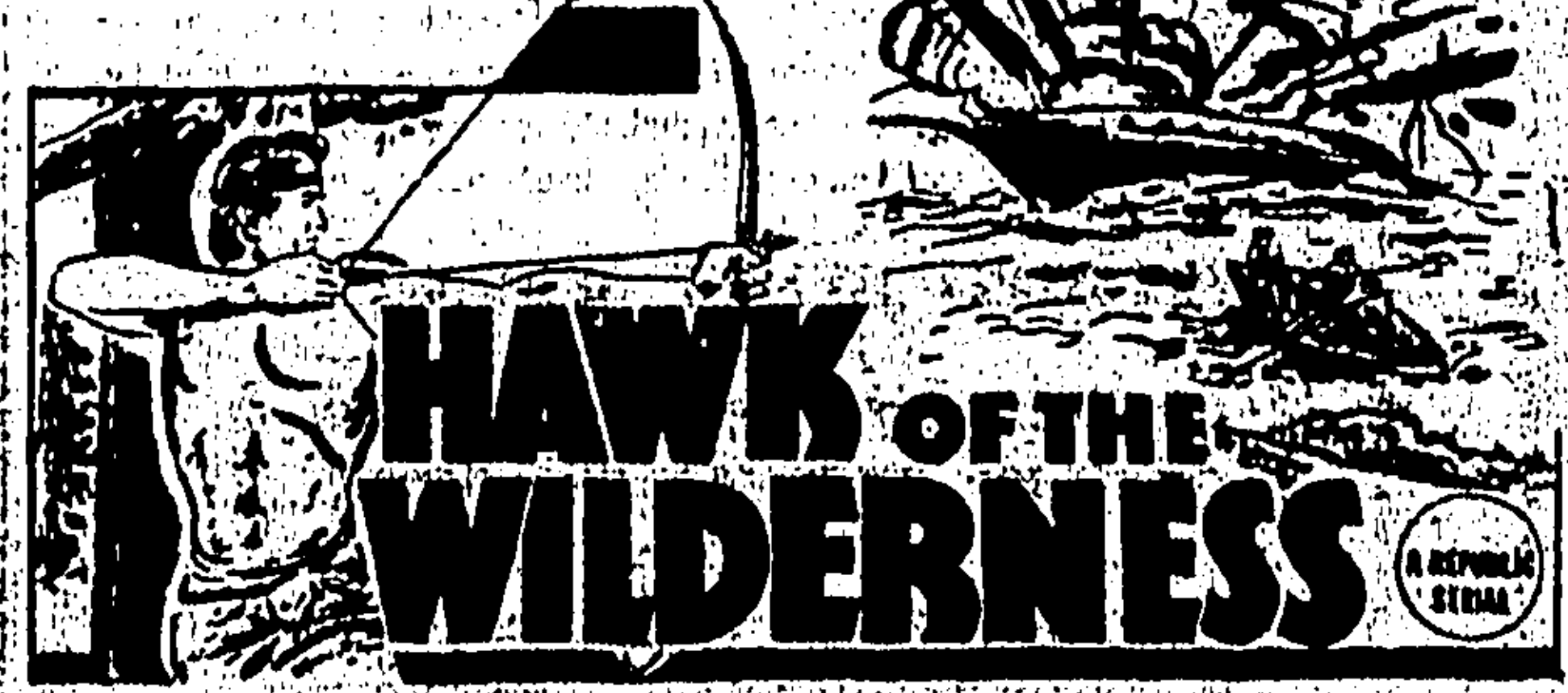


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EX-TYPIST DIRECTOR

SPENT ALL TO SAVE HER NAME

MISS DOREEN GRANT GIBBONS, 32-years-old ex-typist director of Metal and Electro-Chemical Products, Ltd., walked from the Old Bailey dock clutching a soldier's tunic button, a five-shilling piece, and a black-cat brooch in the pocket of her fur coat. They were good-luck charms, given her by friends. The black cat was the gift of a prison wardress.

This young woman, who became a shorthand-typist at 18 when her widowed mother was penniless, who put her career before marriage and became the breadwinner of her family, had just been bound over for having financial and commercial dealings for the benefit of the enemy to which she pleaded guilty.

Her company was fined £700. Previously Miss Gibbons had pleaded not guilty. Mr. Justice Wrottesley had told her in court that there were two things on which she should reflect.

One, that humble folk, without her intelligence, position, or means, had been putting up cheerfully with hardships, danger, and death rather than deal with Germany's present regime.

Two, that the Royal Navy had kept the blockade going perhaps our most potent weapon at the expense of British sailors' lives.

Anyone who helped the enemy clude the blockade had British sailors' blood on his hands.

Miss Gibbons, he said, had been put forward as a patriotic and loyal citizen. He believed she was. Did he not do so, he would have had to consider sending her to prison.

It was Miss Gibbons's third ordeal in court. In December the case was postponed. After a 12-days trial in January the jury disagreed.

Her Secretary

Yet all the time she has continued attending to her business, working in the early morning and at night.

Every evening during the January trial her secretary called on her to keep her abreast of affairs.

Miss Gibbons is small, slim, and well dressed. Her director's fees are £700 a year.

"I've spent all my life savings in trying to prove my patriotic motives," she said to a reporter, "and now I've had to plead guilty to these charges—technical offences—to which I had no answer in law."

"Exporters should profit by my experience and realise what great care must be taken when dealing with firms abroad. One must make doubly sure that foreign companies are not enemy-controlled."

She gave the outline of her business career.

"I lost my father when I was a young girl," she said. "My mother had a little capital, but she lost it in an hotel venture."

Hard Employer

"I had had a good commercial and business training, so when I was 18 I began as a shorthand-typist and bookkeeper."

"I believe I owe my rise in the commercial world to the fact that I had a hard taskmaster of an employer. He taught me everything, and I was never afraid of work."

"I have no fiance. I put my career before marriage. My family have always looked on me as the breadwinner."

"I still intend to carry on my business—with the permission of the Custodian of Enemy Property. I have some Government contracts to fulfil."

"For years I've been trying to break away from the Berlin control of my company. I succeeded to a great extent before the war began—the company is now self-supporting—and engaged on contracts for British materials."

"Unfortunately a lot of mud has been thrown at me during the trial. I have received anonymous telephone calls, which are worrying. I don't want that mud to stick."

"At the back of my business life I've always had my family to think of. When I flew to Stockholm during the war I took out a special insurance so that my mother would have enough in case anything happened to me."

"My brother is a sergeant in a

famous regiment. I drove an ambulance myself until my health broke down."

At the end of the hearing Miss Gibbons began superintending the carrying back of business documents to her office. Her sergeant brother, who had obtained leave, looked on.

OWES LIFE TO APPLE

An apple saved the life of thirteen-year-old Vivienne Carr. She and her father, mother, brother and sister were in the kitchen of their home in Manchester. Bombs were falling.

"May I have one of those nice apples you bought this morning?" Vivienne asked. Her mother told her to get one from the sideboard.

Vivienne went to get the apple, and just as she was taking it a bomb hit the house.

The house was wrecked; her father, mother, brother and sister were killed; Vivienne was flung into the air and fell on the ruins of the house with both her legs broken.

Her baby sister Valerie, aged three, was with neighbours, and she, too, escaped.

Must Be "Mummy"

Lying in hospital, Vivienne swept her long curls away from her smiling brown eyes as she told a reporter:—

"I have received letters from a lot of people I do not know, asking me to go to their homes to live when I am better. But I am better. But I won't go anywhere to stay."

"You see, I'm all baby Valerie has left, and I expect I shall have to try to be a sort of mummy to her."

When she was told about a girl in another northern hospital who has lost both her legs and hopes to walk again on artificial limbs, Vivienne's eyes shone.

From under her pillow she took a little purse. "Now I know what I can do with some of the money people have been sending me," she said eagerly. "Please will you give her something from me towards her new legs."

FUNERAL MONEY WILL BE NAZI'S

FOR TWENTY YEARS, A GILLINGHAM, KENT, WOMAN HAS STEADILY SAVED HER SPARE COPPERS SO THAT SHE MIGHT NOT HAVE TO BE BURIED A PAUPER.

A week ago guns roared as Nazi raiders passed over her home and they gave her a new idea. She would give her money to help win the war.

Dressed in black, the old woman—now nearly eighty—knocked nervously at the door of the Mayor of Gillingham's home and handed the Mayoress ten £1 notes. It was her "funeral money."

Rather embarrassed she told her story. "I just want to help win the war," she said. "Use the money the best way. The funeral can look after itself. And without giving her name she walked away."

The Mayor has decided to hand the £10 to the Spitfire fund.

HE BLEW HIMSELF UP IN REVENGE

In revenge for being ordered to vacate his room, William Wright, forty, blew himself to bits with dynamite in the lounge of an hotel at Buffalo, New York.

"I'll get even with you for this," Wright had told the manager.

Later he returned with a parcel, and when sitting alone in the lounge there was a big explosion.

The police are unable to determine how he exploded the dynamite.

VICAR IS A FARMER

The Vicar of Satley, a hamlet in the County Durham hills, is also a farmer. In his backyard he has a dozen ducks, two geese, a pair of chickens and a couple of goats.

Soon guinea fowls will be added to the stock, and possibly even a cow.

But the fifty-year-old vicar's main farming line is pigs.

With the aid of his wife this farmer-churchman, the Rev. Eric W. Wale, has begun a pig club in the village.

Already there are a dozen members in the club and they have about twenty pigs.

The members grow most of their own pig food. When a porker is slaughtered half of it goes to market, but most of the remainder is distributed round the parish.

Self-Supporting

"You cast your pig upon the waters, but it comes back to you in no time," says the vicar.

"The village is self-supporting in many foods—it has to be, because in bad weather we are cut off from civilisation for days at a time."

"We can produce a completely home-grown meal—potatoes and runner beans from the garden, pig in any form, and, for a sweet, black currants, also grown in the garden. There are leeks, too, if we want them."

In the neighbouring village of Tow Law the Rev. William Millburn combines the hobbies of pig-keeping and astronomy. And by wartime standards, he is one of the richest men in the country—last year his garden produced a crop of 1,400 onions.

OUR VICTORIES BREAK UP THEIR HOMES

Each new British victory in Africa threatens to break up another home in the French Riviera. All along the coast of France live Franco-Italian families.

For generations these families have lived there.

As the guns overseas boom British victory, constant quarrels take place, for the French husbands exult each British success.

Even the children decide their mothers in these divided households with tantalising chants of "Macaronis no good."

These women have come to love Southern France. But their cry is: "Italy is my country after all. I can't like to see her beaten."

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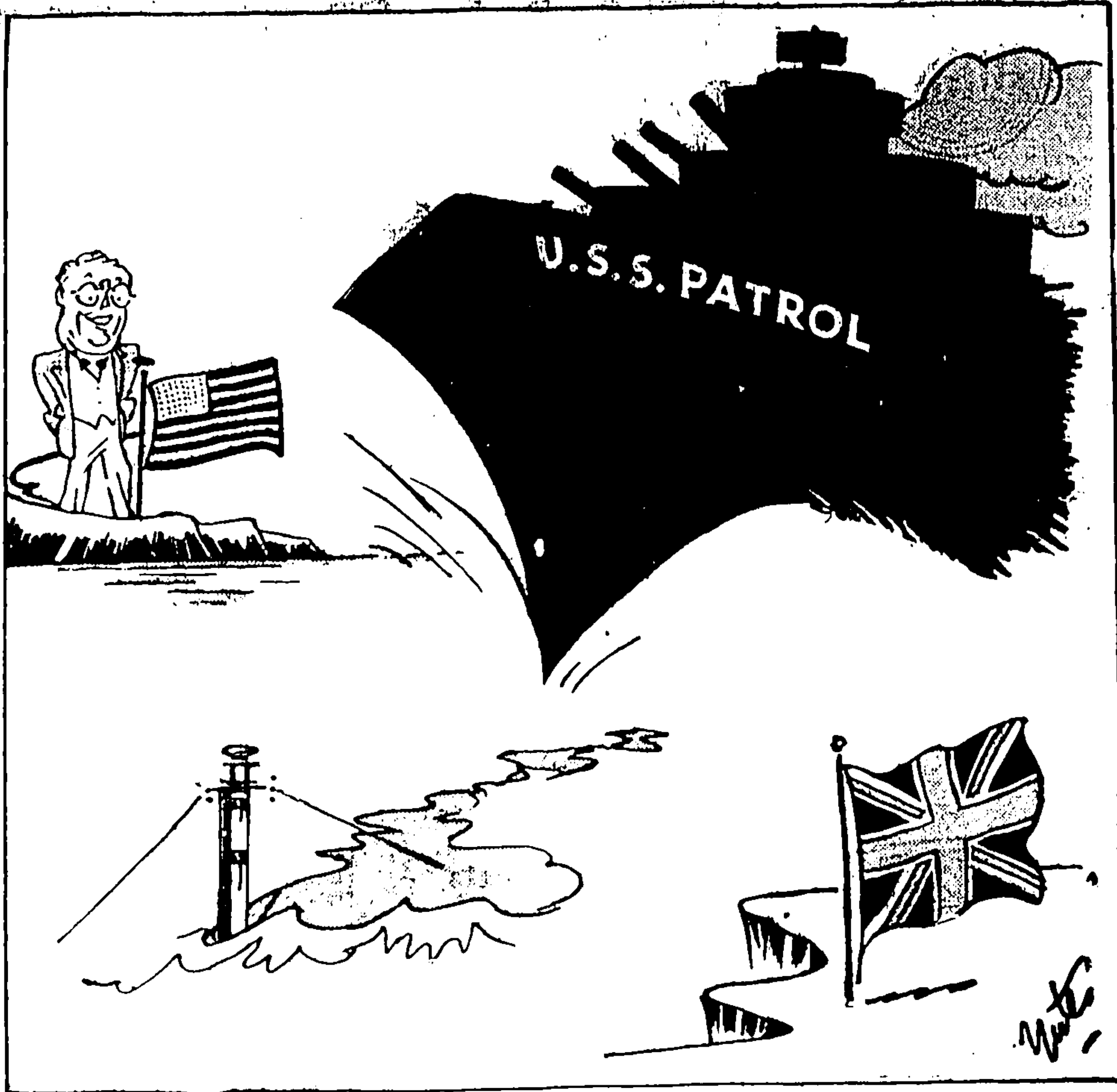
BRITAIN SPEAKS

Those who listened to Mr. Churchill's broadcast, and it was heard by millions, must have felt once again the inspiration, the courage, the confidence and the honesty of the Prime Minister. Characteristically, Mr. Churchill made no attempt to gloss over the effects of the defeat in Greece or the danger in Libya, nor did he try to cheer his hearers with false hopes or vague promises. He has looked at all aspects of the present war in Europe so long that he seems to possess an uncanny power of prophecy as to its future course—as well as its final outcome—and can, therefore, speak more calmly and with greater assurance than a man of lesser vision.

Mr. Churchill did not waste time in abuse of the Germans or in such bombastic utterances as are so beloved by the German Fuehrer. He did not minimise the dangers to which the Democracies are exposed, but he was able to say that we must not lose our sense of proportion, that Hitler cannot find escape from avenging justice by adventures in the East, that he must conquer the British Isles or fail, and that the danger to which Britain is exposed to-day is incomparably less alarming than it was last summer.

Mr. Churchill poured scorn, furthermore, on suggestions of uneasiness and discouragement in Britain as a consequence of the Greek campaign. To refute the suggestion, the Prime Minister did not go to the night-clubs of London, but he went to the battered cities of England and among the people, and his verdict provided the most stirring passages of yet one more speech of historical brilliance.

As to the future, Mr. Churchill foresaw a new fierceness in the war in the Mediterranean, possibilities of great new trouble-centres, in Turkey, possibly in Russia, possibly again in the Far East. The participation of Spain on the German side, of the extension of the war to Morocco, cannot be ruled out. But none of these forays by Hitler could, in the long run, influence the real battle, now being fought over Britain's shores, over German industrial areas, and in the Atlantic. In the great Battle of the Atlantic, which Mr. Churchill saw as the crucial issue of the war, he referred significantly to Britain and the United States as partners



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PROHIBIDO

"But we've never had anything banned before. Never!" Valenti replaced his glass on the counter with a bang to show his indignation and, incidentally, its emptiness. "What do you mean, banned?"

"Suppressed," said his friend Quito. "Forbidden. Prohibido."

"But it isn't even a real piece," said Valenti. "It's only a film. Why can't they just put the usual notice outside, 'Adults Only'?"

"It's not that sort of a film, hombre. It's perfectly decent."

"Then why does everybody want to see it?" demanded Valenti conclusively. "No, no, there must be something in it, and pretty strong, too, considering what you do see. Eh? Oh, thanks. Yes, same again."

The grocer served them and stood polishing a glass with his apron. "Maybe it's one of these orgies. Senor Valenti. Bacchanalian revels and so on. It's a long time since I saw a good orgy" he added wistfully.

"It's banned for political reasons," said Quito. "A certain foreign Power objects; we oblige them. It's only polite."

"I don't care what foreign Power it is," said Valenti warmly, "or whether they choke with their own macaroni. And it isn't that I want to see the thing particularly. I like a nice murder film myself — amateur murders, I mean, none of this Nazi stuff. — I don't want to be told I can't go if I like. That's dictator's talk. Dictators — tchah! He aimed his opinion of them into a handy cuspidor."

"Very trying they are," assented the grocer, correctly interpreting the opinion. "Even the children talk about them. Why, at Christmas my boy said to me, 'Do

I get my presents from the kings as usual this year, or do I have to have them from the dictators?' Nice presents he'd get from them — a gag and a pair of blinkers."

"Still, you know, Valenti," said Quito, "they've a sort of right to object if the film makes the dictators ridiculous."

"Why blame the film?" said Valenti reasonably. "They do it themselves. And most of us haven't waited for that to have a good laugh at them."

"All the same," insisted Quito, "some censorship's necessary, so as not to offend people. For instance, you remember my boss used to take his family to Europe every year before the war — me and the car and the boys and his wife and all. We used to go to London for the season."

"What season, Senor Quito?" asked the grocer, as Quito, paused to sip his vino tinto.

"I don't know," said Quito, "the fog never cleared long enough for me to see. Well, I used to go to the pictures quite a lot to get warm, and d'you know, half the English pictures had the villain an Argentine. But when they're shown here they call him an Egyptian or Rumanian or something. It's a form of censorship."

"Why do they pick on us, Senor Quito?" said the grocer, also rather flattered.

"Well, the villain is always the one that goes running after the girl, isn't he? So they can't make him an Englishman, because Englishmen don't."

The grocer regarded him in incredulous silence and Valenti cocked a sceptical eyebrow over the rim of his glass. "All lame or something?" he inquired.

"They don't have to," explained Quito. "In England, you see, there's about five women to one man."

"Is that so?" said Valenti, interested. "I've always fancied a trip to England. Do you have to be naturalised, or do tourists get the full quota?"

"Can you choose the five?" said the grocer, leaning over the counter.

"Those are statistics," said Quito, patiently. "Figures in newspapers, you know. Five women, or four and a half, I don't remember."

"Como, a half?" said the grocer, wondering whether he had carelessly missed a customer's joke. Inglesas were tall, of course, but half a woman!

"You see that point," continued Quito, ignoring him. "You can't show a film that would offend a

lot of the people, because it wouldn't pay."

"Sounds like a better reason," said Valenti, "but it doesn't fit the case when it's only a few Italians. Who cares about offending them, anyway?"

"We're neutral," Quito reminded him. "This war's nothing to do with us."

"So's Carlitos neutral, and he made the picture," said Valenti. "Nothing to do with us, eh? Go and take a look round the empty harbour and say that again."

"The war hits us all," put in the grocer. "If you knew what this wine costs me now you'd be surprised."

"I dare say we should," said Quito dryly, "but the others are all as bad as you. And Montez's place is full of Germans, all 'Heiling' and arguing."

"I had an argument with one last time I was there," said Valenti. "He said that, naming no names, the greatest of Aryan races would soon be getting the earth and everything in it. So he got a bit from me—in his face,—with a cactus in it; but he didn't seem to want it. No pleasing some people."

"They must be pleased just now about this ban, anyway," Quito. "That's what they like, banning and orders and censorship."

"It's what they have to like," said Valenti, "but I can't see us taking to it here. I wonder, now, if the whole thing isn't a publicity stunt. The Mayor may lift the ban, and then everybody'll flock to see it."

"Vamos, che! The Mayor wouldn't lend himself to a thing like that. Nobody'll go out of his way to see it except those with a grudge against the dictators. It's quite simple if you want to go over to Montevideo for the day. There's no ban on it in Uruguay."

"Is that so, senor," said the grocer thoughtfully. "That accounts for it, then. I've got a nephew working on one of the ferry-boats between here and Montevideo, and he says there's been quite a run on day trips just now, almost like there was the time of the Graf Spee. Always crowded they are."

"With us freedom-loving Argentines," said Valenti triumphantly and a trifle pompously, "showing our opinion of the censorship."

"With the English colony, I'll bet," said Quito instantly, "and the Americans."

"No, senores," said the grocer, for once contradicting them both. "That's what's so odd. It's mostly the Italians and the Germans."

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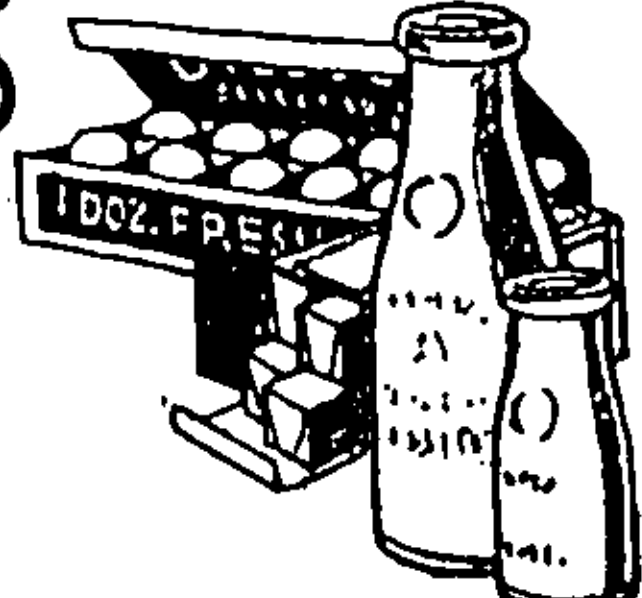
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HITLER FEARS WRATH OF HIS "SLAVES"

HITLER IS NOW faced with a new nightmare — the fear of revolt in occupied countries. Secret societies abound everywhere, nightly German troops are done to death, sabotage — the main offensive weapon — is rife, and mayors of provincial towns show their contempt for local "Quislings" by defying their authority.

In fact, there is growing a "pro-Ally Fifth Column" movement to resist Nazi oppression.

Here are reports received from "neutrals" who have travelled through France, Norway, Holland, Belgium and Denmark.

FRANCE: During the month 16 German guards were found knifed or beaten to death in lonely forests around Biarritz.

Oslo Arrests

Local mayors were arrested and 500 Frenchmen were sent to a concentration camp. But the assaults continued.

In Paris, German officers have been shot and many soldiers found dead and injured in the Bois de Boulogne.

NORWAY: Sabotage is the principal weapon and cables and wires have been cut. Disorders in Oslo resulted in 3,000 people having their liquor cards withdrawn.

Looting has become systematic, and even pro-Nazis show signs of disagreement.

In the course of street demonstrations in Oslo hundreds of arrests were made, according to the National Broadcasting Company of New York.

HOLLAND: A "pro-Ally Fifth Column" movement working in secret goes to the extent of helping R.A.F. raiders.

Many Germans had been pushed into canals during "black-out" and drowned.

BELGIUM: Germany fears possible revolt. B.B.C. broadcasts are widely heard, the wavelength being made known by posters.

DENMARK: Outside the Hadersley Prison, there were big anti-German demonstrations, and the Nazis seized a quantity of revolver ammunition.

FRIED EGGS ---THEN DIED

Viscount Lambton, twenty-year-old heir to the Earl of Durham, fried bacon and eggs for himself before he went out of doors and shot himself.

He was found dead on the lawn in front of the family home, Fenton House, near Wooler, Northumberland.

He had returned recently from London, where he had been living. On November 9 he registered for military service.

"Suicide while temporarily of an unbalanced mind" was the verdict at the inquest at Fenton House.

The Hon. Claud Lambton said that Viscount Lambton, his nephew, had been a little abnormal as a boy and unlike other people.

Midnight Meals

He had tried to sleep during part of the day and stay up at nights.

The Earl said that he left his son between 11.30 and 11.45 on Monday night to go to bed.

His son had been phoning London. He thought something his son had heard during the phone conversation had been responsible for his action.

Elizabeth Scammell, housekeeper, said she was in bed when she heard Viscount Lambton in the kitchen.

She said frying of bacon and eggs. He had frequently done this at midnight or one o'clock.

The coroner said there was no possible question that Viscount Lambton had put the muzzle of a gun into his mouth with the intention of shooting himself.

£5,000 A YEAR "LIMIT PRICE TO HAPPINESS"

Sir Frank Mellor, formerly chief registrar of the Bankruptcy Court, has died at Oxford, aged seventy-seven.

"Can money buy happiness?" he was once asked.

He replied: "A man or woman can buy £5,000 worth of happiness a year, but I do not believe they can buy a pennyworth more. When it passes that figure, the results frequently lead to unhappiness."

INVASION IF AND WHEN

**Secret Only Hitler
Knows**

Reliable information reaching Whitehall from various sources in Germany and occupied territory indicates that Hitler alone knows if and when an invasion of Britain will be attempted.

From many countries in Europe reports are continually reaching London that invasion is imminent. It is believed in responsible quarters that the Nazis are putting these reports about, possibly as a smoke-screen to cover a drive elsewhere.

While British policy will not be deflected by such tactics, there is no inclination in Government circles to discount the prospect of an assault on Britain, nor to relax in the slightest degree our extensive preparations to meet it.

Little material evidence has been received lately of special activity across the Channel, such as new concentrations of troops barges. It is, however, known that there has been some reinforcement recently of the German troops in Norway.

Moreover, German forces have been so disposed for some time that an invasion could be attempted at the shortest notice.

YANKS ARE THERE

Among the thousands of Americans now serving with our Forces are some who have thrown up good jobs and left wives and families.

Nobody knows how many United States nationals are fighting at our side, but Mr. Robert Hutchinson, president of the American Eagle Club in London, said that there are perhaps 8,000.

"I think even that may be a conservative estimate," Mr. Hutchinson told a reporter. "They are sentimental about England."

"Most of them are serving with the Canadian Army, but two or three are in the Canadian Navy ratings. Some are members of the Free French Forces."

DANES MAY HAVE NO GAS

The Danish Government has announced that stocks of coal are so low that gasworks in all towns in Denmark will probably be unable to supply gas.

LAST DUTY---TO OTHER WOMAN

AFTER MANY YEARS of married life, a man left his wife, who had no children, to live with another woman by whom he had two children. When he came to make his will — he eventually committed suicide — he found himself in a dilemma between the claims of his wife and the claims of the mother of his children.

He made the will in favour of the other woman and her two children. And Mr. Justice Farwell, in the Chancery Division, considered the man's financial problem and decided that he had chosen rightly—that a moral duty might outweigh a legal obligation.

The Judge dismissed an application by the wife, Mrs. Elizabeth May Joslin, of The Retreat, Bickington, near Barnstaple, who asked that reasonable provision should be made for her maintenance under the Inheritance (Family Provision) Act, 1938, from the net estate of her husband, Frederick John Joslin, who committed suicide in November 1939.

The woman with whom Joslin lived was Mrs. Hilda Manning. The will was made in her favour with reversion to the two children. His real estate was estimated for probate to be worth £2,768 and the personal estate £191, but, after payment of expenses and mortgage charges, the estate was now estimated to be £373.

Wife To Pay Costs

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice Farwell said that Mrs. Joslin had a very small income, but

Mrs. Manning was penniless. In these circumstances the husband was in a dilemma.

The Judge said he did not think it right in these cases to take into consideration only legal obligations.

A man in such a dilemma—which was not less difficult because he had created it himself—was entitled if he thought fit to decide that his duty was to make what little provision he could for the other woman and children, even although his lawful wife would have to live on what little income she had.

The Judge also ruled, to prevent the provision for Mrs. Manning and her children being reduced by the costs of these proceedings, that the application should be dismissed with costs. In the circumstances the proceedings should not have been brought.

FRENCH REFUGEES RETURN

Twenty thousand French refugees — the last from Switzerland — have returned to unoccupied France, said Radio Lyons. Associated Press.

Military Position In Greece Still Uncertain

HONG KONG EUGENICS LEAGUE

The Fifth Annual Report of the Hong Kong Eugenics League says that the League has continued to make progress. The number of patients has increased in all the Clinics by nearly one hundred per cent, and the improvement in the numbers of those returning for re-examination has been maintained.

There are now four Clinics, each holding one session per week: the Violet Peel Health Centre, under Dr. A. J. Forbes, on Thursday afternoons; the Kowloon Health Centre, under the direction of Dr. I. Frommer, on Monday afternoons; the Tsan Yuk, under the direction of Dr. D. Chun on Tuesday afternoons and the Kwong Wah Hospital, under the direction of Dr. P. Rutledge on Friday mornings.

The Clinics in the Refugee Camps have been discontinued as all mothers who asked for advice on contraception have been dealt with and as the population in the Camps as far as women and children are concerned is almost stationary, the Clinics were no longer needed.

The League in cooperation with the Medical Department is pursuing the same policy advocated by the Ministry of Health in Great Britain. Health Centres have been established where mothers can attend ante-natal clinics; after the birth of the baby, they return to the Centre for advice on infant welfare and Gynaecological Clinics for post-natal care have been arranged which include advice on family planning, that is, how to space children for the sake of the health and the well-being of the family. An increase in this service is urgently needed.

Appliances

The League has been successful in obtaining regular supplies of appliances from New York. It has still been possible over the last year to maintain the policy of giving free appliances to those mothers who are unable to contribute but unless there is increased financial support for the work of the League during the next year, the League will be forced to discontinue this help to poor patients. Since of all sections of the community, this is the group that are most in need of our help, owing to their economic inability to support large families, it is hoped very much that our patrons of Hong Kong will be sufficiently generous to enable the League to give this free service. The policy has been that mothers with several children whose income is under \$30 a month should not be forced to pay.

The Executive Committee

The Executive Committee has continued to meet regularly during the past year at the office of the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo to whom the League is most grateful. The Committee reports with very much regret the resignation of Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, who had been the Honorary Treasurer of the League since its inception. The Committee wishes to record its deep debt of gratitude for the untiring service that Mr. Forrest has given. The Committee also wishes to express its appreciation to Miss Constance Lam, who very kindly took over the duties of Hon. Treasurer from Mr. Forrest, and to Mrs. Beryl Cryan who has given voluntary service in the Violet Peel Clinic for many months. It reports, with regret, the loss of the services of Mrs. D. E. Davis and Mrs. G. H. Hole who had given active help in the Clinics before they left the Colony.

Future Activities

The Executive Committee has retained the services of a social welfare worker, who assists in the four Clinics and pays home visits to the mothers who attend the

THERE HAS BEEN no official British statement on the military situation in Greece since Sunday's announcement that "our troops are continuing their withdrawal."

The magnificent spirit in which the Greeks fought, and the true comradeship of arms and of the endeavour which the Greek Army, Greek people and Greek Government have shown to the forces of the British Empire which came to their aid, and which have shared with them the honours of a hard-contested retreat, have called forth a deep response from the public in Britain.

The "Manchester Guardian" expressed the sentiment of the whole people when it declared: "Of all tragedies of the war the most poignant is the tragedy of Greece."

"The Greeks have written the most heroic chapter of their history."

Cruellest Blows

"They have kept alive, too, the spirit by which they will one day, we all hope and believe, recover their freedom."

Unanimity of sentiment is shown by the closeness of thought which inspired "The Times" statement: "To all lovers of tradition, of liberty and of that freedom of thought which, with so much else, our world owes to Greece, the occupation of Athens by Nazi troops is one of the cruellest blows free men have endured since Hitler began his callous and unbridled aggression."

"It is bitter to know that the swastika is now flying over the city which in the time of civilisation's greatest weakness defied Alaric and his Goths." — British Wireless.

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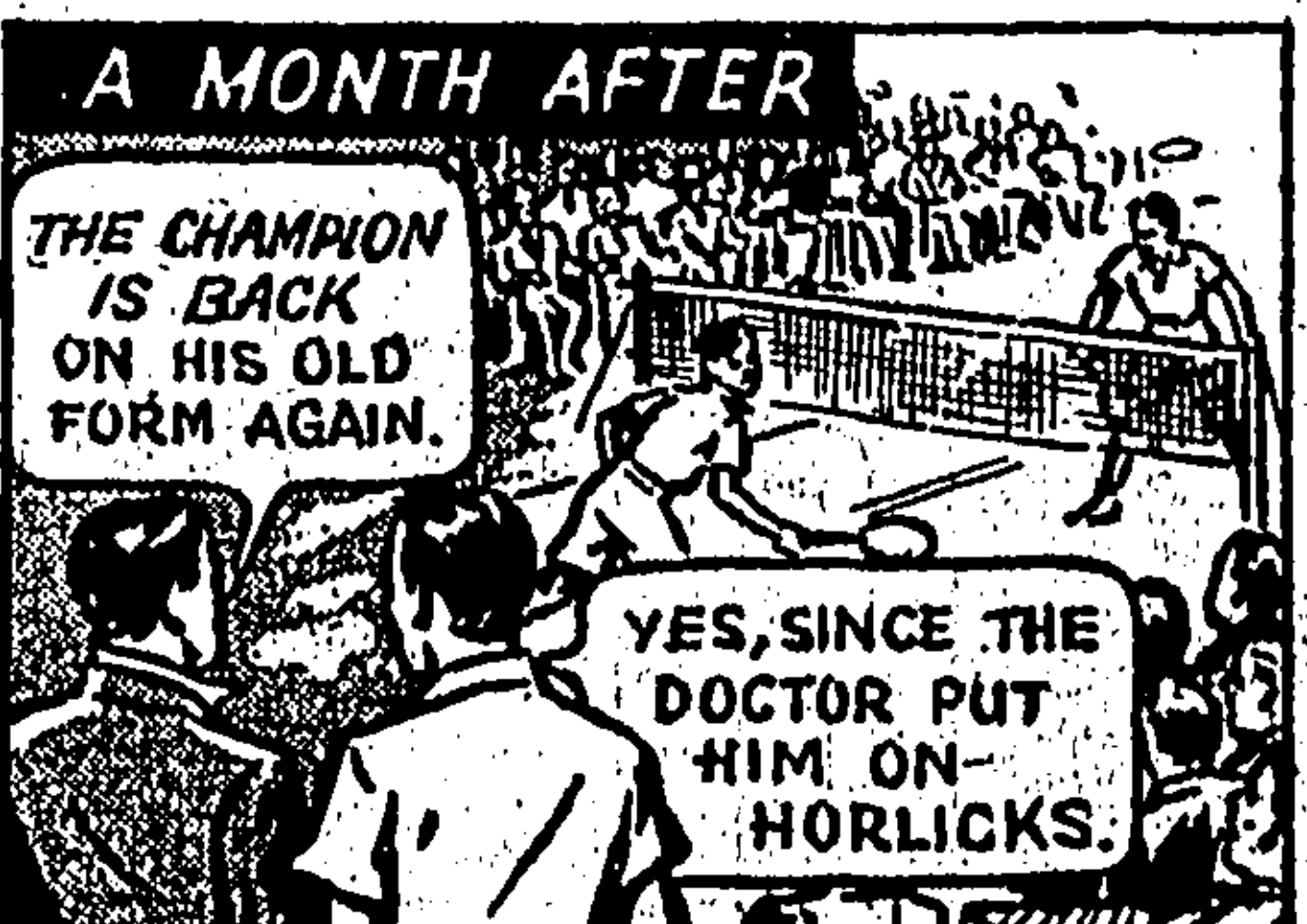
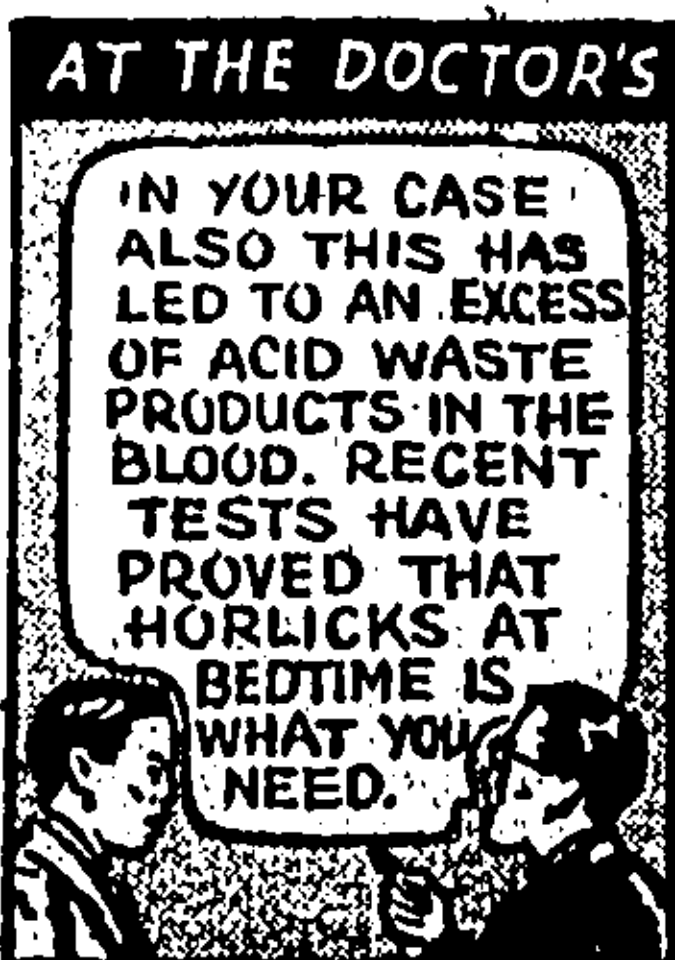
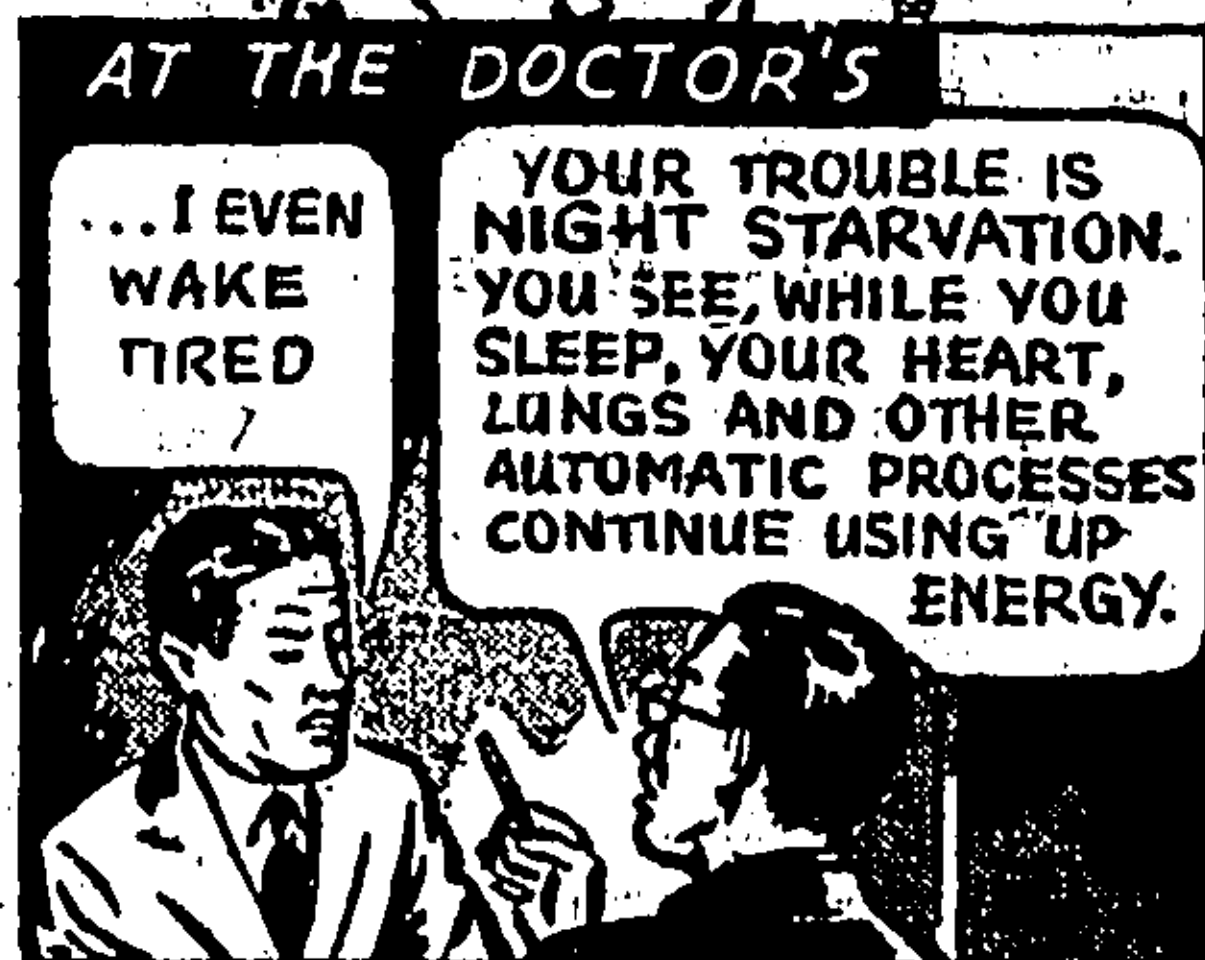
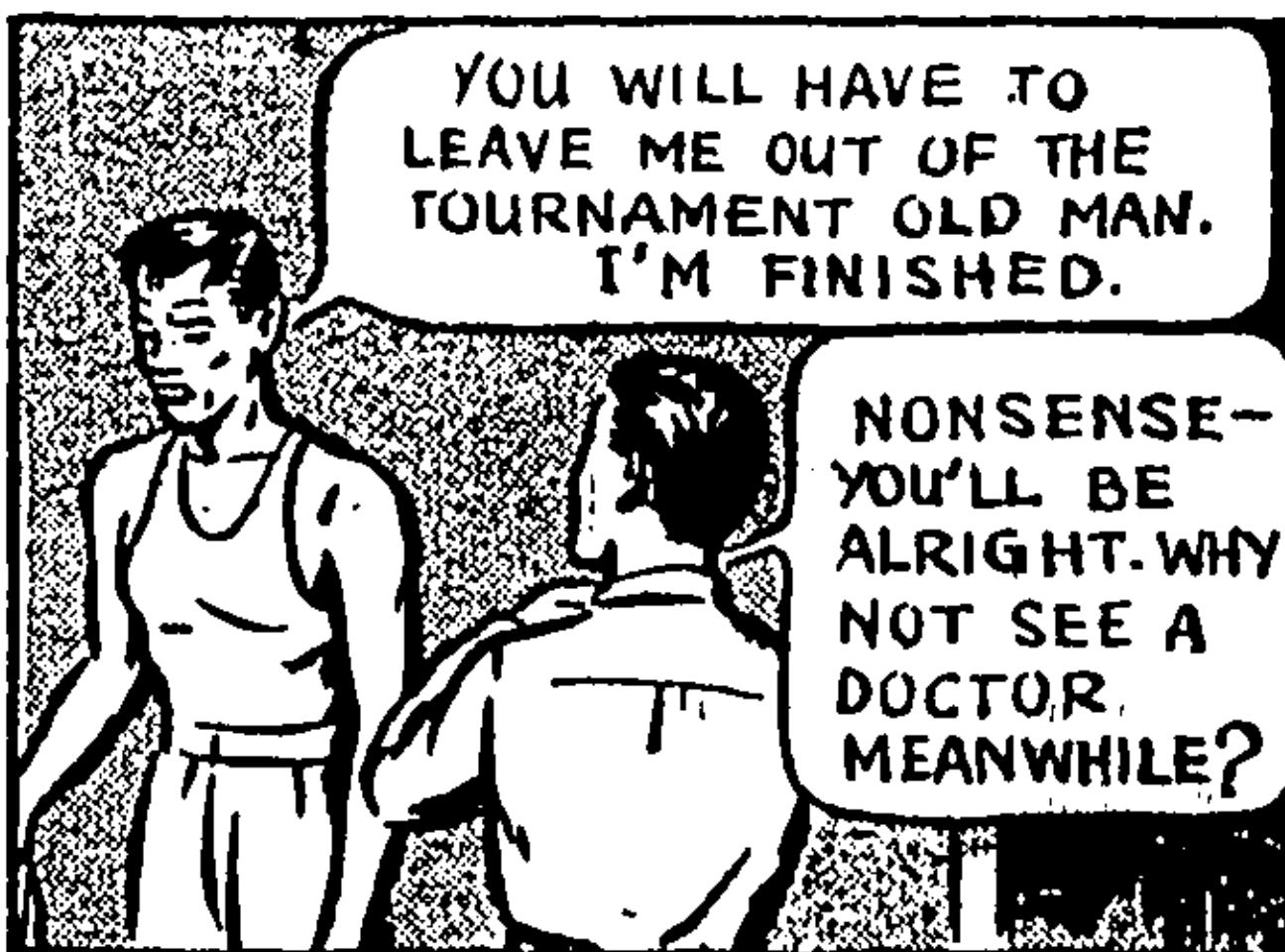
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Both sides vulnerable
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♥ 4
♦ Q J 8
♣ A 10 8 4
♠ 10 9
♥ K 10 7 5
♦ 9 6 5 2
♣ K 7 5
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♠ A K J 5
♥ A 1 6 2
♦ K 4
♣ Q J 2

The bidding:
South West North East
1♠ Pass 2♠ Pass
3♥ Pass 3♠ Pass

"The hand makes eleven tricks, so there ought to be a way of getting to game. How?"

We think North bid the hand too weakly. His first response to one spade might well have been two clubs, with the intention of raising spades later on.

But having bid only two spades, he should have hastened to show his maximum holding for this weak bid by jumping to four spades over South's rebid of three hearts.

Such a jump would not show Slam intentions or a very fine hand or anything else that might deceive South. North's first response of two spades had already made it clear that his hand contained only a decidedly limited amount of strength. The jump would therefore show only a hand which was at or near the upper limit possible for a single raise.

South cannot be criticised for refusing to go on past three spades. North would have bid the hand the same way with the same distribution but no high cards. And then South would lose at least one diamond and three clubs.

* * *

Yesterday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ K 10 7
♥ 5 4
♦ 6
♣ A Q J 9 8 3

The bidding:
Burnstone Jacoby Von Schenken
1♠ Pass 2♣ Pass (7)

ANSWER: Bid four spades. If your partner has a rebiddable spade suit there should be an excellent play for game in the hand. To bid only three spades would risk a pass by partner. Score 100% for four spades, 70% for three spades, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 702

To-day you are Merwin Maier's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K 10 7 6
♥ K 5 4 2
♦ 6
♣ A J 9 8

The bidding:
Maier Schenken Von Jacoby
1♠ Pass (7)

What do you bid? (Answer Monday.)
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THE BLITZ PURSUED THEM

(By A Special Correspondent)

THIS IS THE STORY of the family the Blitz pursued. North, south, east and west — everywhere they went the blitz was sure to follow. They were bombed in trains, hotels, farms and relatives' homes. Then, in despair, they returned home to join the fire watch.

Cost of this "bombed out" tour was £500. And they were in more raids than friends who stayed put.

Before the blitz, father, mother and two daughters, all of independent means, lived in a town on the Bristol Channel.

They quit Bristol after the first raid there.

This is a round-by-round story of their fight to dodge the Luftwaffe:—

ROUND ONE.—A bomb fell in the back garden in a south coast town, blew in all their windows.

ROUND TWO.—Caught by second Bristol blitz while bound by train for the Midlands.

ROUND THREE.—Two nights after their arrival in the Midlands, Birmingham was attacked. Planes passing over their hotel unloaded nine H.E.s.

A daughter was cut by flying glass.

ROUND FOUR.—Machine-gunned in train on way to new home in an East Midlands resort.

ROUND FIVE.—Mine struck the docks at a west country town. Next night a raider, pursued, jettisoned its bomb load.

In Time . . .

ROUND SIX.—Arrived in Sheffield just in time for the blitz.

Relatives there had written: "We rarely hear the siren here."

Father, hit by shrapnel went to hospital for a week.

ROUND SEVEN.—Daylight raider, jettisoning bombs, scored direct hit on farmhouse which the family had taken in North Midlands.

Family were out for a walk. ROUND EIGHT.—On way back to their Bristol Channel home they were held up for five hours by attack on a train.

ROUND NINE.—Caught in all-light raid at Bristol when changing trains. Mother cut by glass.

ROUND TEN.—Fight stopped. Got home to find no bombs had fallen within a couple of miles of it all the time they had been running into bombs elsewhere.

LIVED ALONE IN 80-ROOM MANSION

Robert Hewson was 78. He lived alone at Trent Court, an 80-room mansion near Tunbridge Wells.

All his life he collected antiques. The rooms were filled with them.

Every day he walked from room to room rearranging the furniture.

An odd-job man employed at the house found the strange old man dying. He had slipped and table.

injured himself while carrying a This was the story told at the inquest when a verdict of Death from Misadventure was recorded.

"Mr. Hewson was a very wealthy man," a villager related.

"He had bought many large properties in Tunbridge Wells and Sussex. Although there are at least 80 rooms, he lived in the mansion all alone."

"There are some London evacuees in the servant quarters."

"The house is so large that you could bullet 500 soldiers in it."

NAZIS GIVE UP CABLE SCHEME; TRY TO LAUGH

The Nazi short-wave announcer who invited American listeners to send radiograms at Germany's expense, saying what sort of propaganda programmes they prefer, and who has received such a flood of insulting messages as never before warmed up the Transatlantic transmitters, has now called off his scheme.

In a painfully woolly broadcast last night, the Nazi announcer said that no further messages will be paid for after midnight to-morrow.

"He sounded," says the New York newspaper "P.M." "eager to laugh the whole thing off like a man who has been kicked on the shins by the heavyweight champion."

The radio company here that is sending the messages at 10s. 8d. each which Germany has to pay in good American dollars) will not disclose the number sent, and calculations how much the great Berlin bloomer has already cost, and now much it will have cost by to-morrow night, vary a good deal.

"P.M." thinks there have been 25,000 messages already and suggests that the total might reach 50,000 by to-morrow night—which would mean that the Nazis would have lost more than £6,000 worth of dollar exchange.

Another estimate suggests that the Nazis might get away with a final bill of between £15,000 and £20,000. One reason for accepting the higher estimate is that a "chain" movement is now busily going on in New York. Each member of the chain agrees to get ten people to send a derisive cable with Germany's 10s. 8d. Each of those ten gets ten others, and so on.



Ginger Rogers in a scene from RKO's 'Kitty Foyle' coming to the King's shortly.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED



"What's SHE got that I haven't got?"

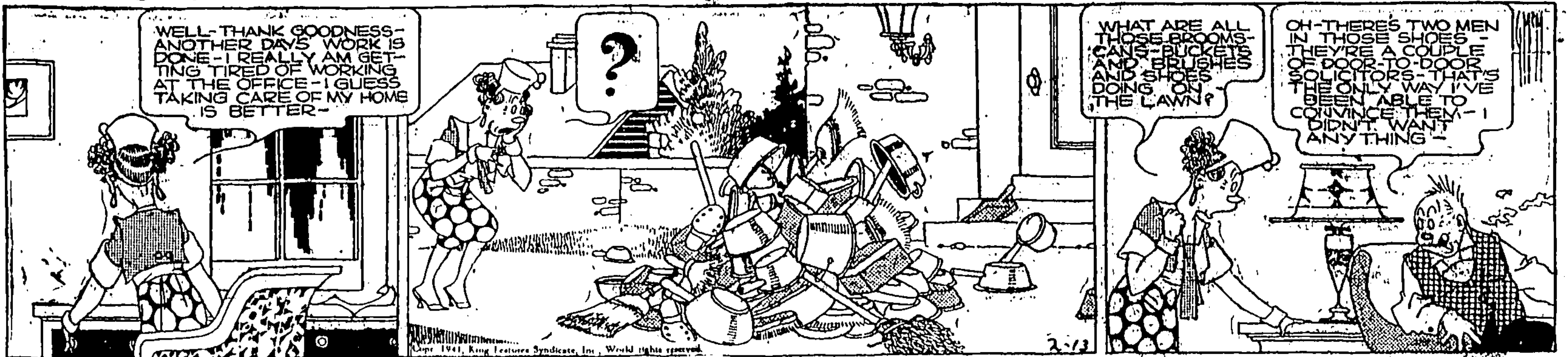
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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

How to Get Triple Duty Out Of Sewing Hours

All of us sew these days, if not for the family for war relief or we knit. Our fingers are kept busy for hours at a time fashioning garments of one sort or another. You can make these hours give you triple duty if you wish.

Before sitting down to sew why not comb and pin up your hair in curlers, tie a pretty ribbon or turban about your head and slip into a comfortable but attractive housecoat. Then you will feel free to put a masque cream on your face and let it do wonders for your skin while you work.

First wash your face well with soap and water, dry it and apply a cream masque. There are several of these film-like preparations which look like cream on your face—no mud pack, no deep colour!

If your skin is very dry you could anoint it all with a fragrant body oil—give it a good massage before putting on your housecoat. Let the oil lubricate and soothe, and the fragrance of it cheer you, as your fingers fly about their task.

That is getting double duty out of the sewing hours. Now, while you sew why not listen to several several good radio broadcasts—programmes which will provide dinner conversation or interest friend husband when he comes home? Programmes which will feed your mind. Stay-at-home housewives have a tendency to grow dull because they do not take time to read current news, listen to it, or get out to a stimulating lecture or concert. Don't let that happen to you. If you do not sew or knit then read while beauty is working.

Or you may be tutoring your young offspring. While you sew is a good time to listen to his progress or to discuss his little problems which are mighty important to him. Get the most out of



As this earnest beauty sews a spring gown, a cream face masque is beautifying her face, and wayward back curls are pinned under a ribbon band. At the end of the hour she will be groomed for the evening's fun!

your time, whatever you do, so you will not go about complaining, "I never find any time to do anything for myself that is why my hair and skin look as they do!" I'm convinced, you see, that every woman can find time to groom herself—no matter how chucky full her day!

A Screen Star's Favourite Masque

If you would like to try the home-made masque which screen

star Geraldine Fitzgerald favours, here is her recipe: Mix one teaspoonful of powdered tarracotta with a tablespoonful of cow's cream or lemon juice. Spread it on face and leave for at least a half hour, wash off with warm water and then give your skin an ice rub and complexion oil massage. Wrap an ice cube in a folded linen napkin or towel.

Pork Chops With Cream Mushroom Gravy

Of all meats, pork has perhaps the most definite flavour. It requires no "stepping up" in seasoning. Rather, anything that accompanies pork should just mingle and blend suavely with the flavour of the pork itself. Cream gravy is a perfect example.

Well, there are cream gravies and cream gravies. For delicacy of flavour and luxurious creaminess let me suggest a gravy made with condensed cream of mushroom soup.

It is easy to make because the soup as it comes from the can is already skillfully seasoned. Then too, mushroom flavour blends well with pan-browned pork chops. The dish is put together like this:

Salt and pepper

Wipe the pork chops with a damp cloth. Dust with flour and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place in hot heavy frying pan. Brown on both sides. Pour off excess fat, togar and cook slowly for about 20 minutes. Pour the hot "Cream Mushroom Gravy" over the pork chops and cook 10-15 minutes longer. Serves 5-6.

Cream Mushroom Gravy

1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup

$\frac{1}{4}$ cup milk or water

Empty the cream of mushroom soup into a saucepan and mix very well. Stir in the milk or water gradually and heat. Pour over the browned pork chops and simmer 10-15 minutes.



Dietering Dot says this reducing game would be easier for her if there was no putting off until to-morrow the things that should be begun to-day.

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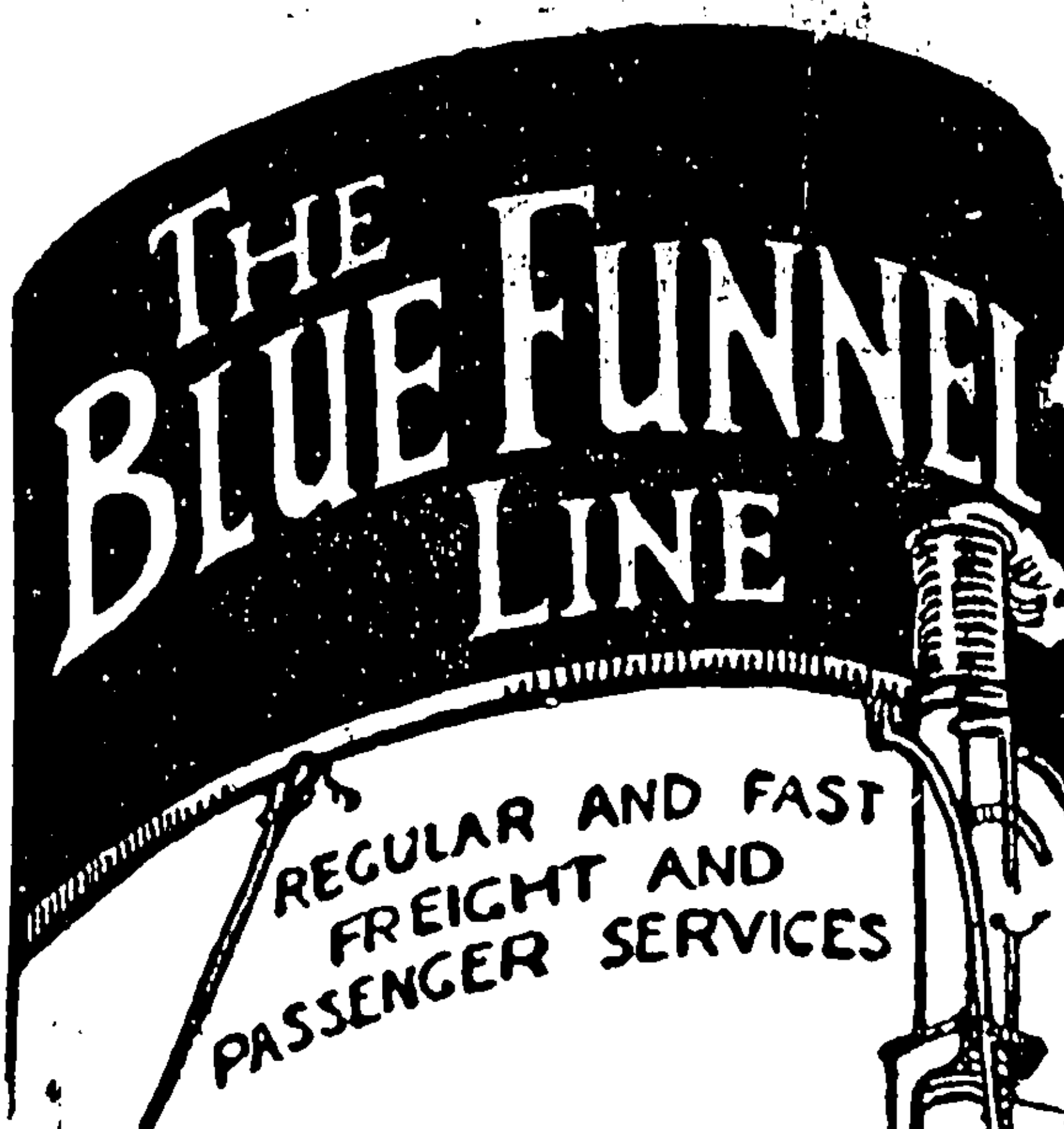
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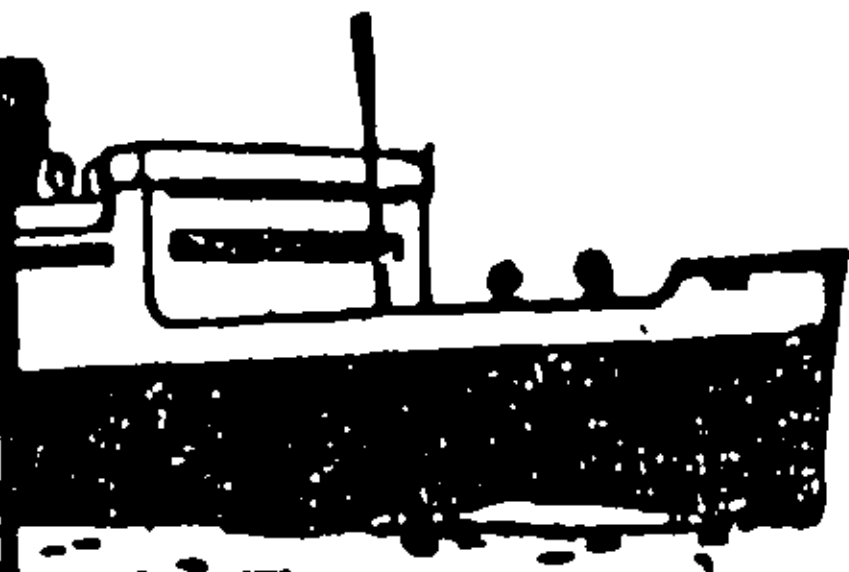
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—Bizet—Symphony No. 1 in C Major.
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1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal.

1.01 p.m.—Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance". Oh, Men of Dark and Dismal Fate George Baker & Full Chorus.
You May Go, For You're at Liberty Full Company: Oh, Dry the Glistening Tear Elsie Griffith & Chorus of Girls. Then, Fredric, Let Your Escort, Lion-Hearted George Baker & Derek Oldham. When the Foreman Bares His Steel Leo Sheffield, Elsie Griffith, Nellie Brercliffe & Chorus: Ah, Leave Me Not to Pine Elsie Griffith & Derek Oldham. No, I Am Brave Elsie Griffith, Leo Sheffield & Male Chorus. When A Felon's Not Engaged Leo Sheffield & Male Chorus. To Gain a Brief Advantage Leo Sheffield, Peter Dawson, George Baker, Elsie Griffith, Dorothy Gill & Full Chorus.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Nat Gonella and His Organists.
Fox-Trot: Ten Pretty Girls. Fox-Trot: Oh, They're Tough-Mighty Tough in the West. Slow Fox-Trot: "Makin' A Fool of Myself. Quickstep—Get Hot. Fox-Trot: Wee Wee Me. Fox-Trot: Mama Don't Allow It. Quickstep: The Gypsy in My Soul. Fox-Trot: Let Us be Sweethearts Over Again. Fox-Trot: Peckin'.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 p.m.—Aldershot Tattoo, 1938. Massed Bands of the Aldershot and Eastern Commands.

6.50 p.m.—Sea Shanties and Songs by Portsmouth Royal Naval Singers. Sea Shanties: Intro: Billy Boy; Johnny Come Down to Hilo; I'll Go No more A-Roving; Rio Grande. Sea Songs: Intro: Jolly Roger; Sailor's Chorus.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 p.m.—Gertrude Lawrence & Noel Coward in Variety.
Where Are the Songs We Sung... Noel Coward (Baritone). "Crest of The Wave"—Selection... The Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra. The Physician: Experiment (both from "Nymph Errant")... Gertrude Lawrence (Vocal). Conversation Piece—Selection (Noel Coward)... Charles Prentice & His Orchestra. Mad Dogs & Englishmen: Let's Say Goodbye (both from "Words & Music")... Noel Coward (Vocal).

8.30 p.m.—An Eric Coates Programme. Four Ways Suite — Northwards (March); Southwards (Valse); Eastwards (Eastern Dance); Westwards (Rhythm)... New Light Symphony Orchestra. Bird Songs At Eventide... Richard Crooks (Tenor). London Bridge March... New Light Symphony Orchestra. The Fairy Tales of Ireland... Essie Ackland (Contralto). By The Sleepy Lagoon... Eric Coates & Symphony Orch.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.15 p.m.—"The Hope of a New World" No. 1: "What is Wrong with the Old World". Recorded talk by the Archbishop of York.

9.32 p.m.—Magyar Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.
Far Goes The Crane; Down It Pours in the Puszt; You Were Unfaithful To Me; You Left Me, Don't Come Back; Out in the Puszt I Plough & Sow; It's A Great City; You Gave Me The First Kiss; In the Cafe with Glittering Mirrors.

9.45 p.m.—Some Scottish Songs.
O Sing to me the Old Scotch Songs (Leeson); Ye Banks and Braes (arr. Lees)... Joseph Hislop (Tenor). Tam Glen (arr. Stephen & Burnett); Deirdie's Farewell To Scotland ("Songs of the Hebrides")... Jean Day (Soprano). An Erikskay Love Lilt ("Songs of the Hebrides")... Joseph Hislop (Tenor).
9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

10.00 p.m.—Studio — "China: Produces for Resistance". Talk by Rewi Alley.
10.10 p.m.—Hawaiian Selections with Bing Crosby (Vocal).
Fox-Trots—A Song of Old Hawaii; South of Pago-Pago... Ray Kinney & His Hawaiian Musical Ambassadors. Aloha Oe; Song of the Islands... Bing Crosby with Dick McIntire & His Harmony Hawaiians. Fox-Trot—Hawaiian Hospitality... Ronnie Munro & His Orchestra. Hawaiian Paradise (Owens)... Bing Crosby with Dick McIntire & His Harmony Hawaiians. Fox-Trots—Hawaiian Ripple; Dreams of Aloha... Noel Lane's Hawaiian Orchestra.
10.35 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—When You Wish Upon a Star—Quickstep—Give a Little Whistle (both from film "Pinocchio")... Geraldine & His Savoy Hotel Orchestra. Tangos—Clasico; Llorar Y Reir... Juan Llosas & His Orchestra. Fox-Trot—My Capri Serenade; Waltz—Who's Taking You Home To-night?... Maurice Winnick & His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Down The Trail of Dreams; Faithful Forever... The Organ, The Dance Band & Me.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.

ALIENS OFFER £1,000 FOR £45 TICKET TO SAFETY---FAIL

SCORES OF ALIENS in Britain are trying to give away £1,000 for the privilege of buying a £45 steamship ticket.

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That ticket will take them to somewhere in America. They don't mind where — so long as it is away from the blitz.

But the travel agencies are keeping a close watch. They have turned away hundreds of thousands of pounds in "bribe" money. Said an official: "We get hundreds of applications every month for berths on ships leaving for New York. But passenger shipping across the Atlantic is almost at a standstill, so the majority of them have to be turned down."

"When we tell them this a lot of the would-be passengers — often wealthy people — make an offer. For instance, the fare to New York is roughly £45. When we tell them that few ships are sailing and reveal the scarcity of accommodation up goes their price immediately. It is nothing to be offered £700."

"Some passenger clerks have reported attempts to bribe them personally."

Turned Down

"But, of course, all these offers are turned down."

"If intended passengers are entitled to leave the country they are put on a waiting list. When a ship is available they are put on it as soon as possible."

An official of a firm of London exporters said: "It is true that large prices are being paid — for passages across the Atlantic. For instance, some weeks ago an American girl came to us. She asked us to arrange her passage."

"She has been earning thousands of dollars a year in America as a model. She has a New York pent-house, a luxury car, and a home in the country over there."

"The war has forced her to stay here and leave a big contract in America unfulfilled — even though she was willing to spend most of what she would have earned on getting back to New York. We told her she would have to take her turn with the rest of them."

JUBILEE THE CHIMP IS DEAD

Within ten days of her sixth birthday, Jubilee, the first London-born chimpanzee died at the Zoo sanatorium from an abscess of the brain. She had been ill for a few days.

It was on February 15, 1935—Jubilee year—that, for the first time in the history of the London Zoological Gardens, a chimpanzee was born there.

As a baby, Jubilee was one of the star attractions at the Zoo. Crowds gathered to see her with her mother, Boo-Boo.

When she grew older, Jubilee was a popular member of the "troupe" that appeared in the chimpanzees' tea party.

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PEER WROTE --FINE IS CUT

INTERVENTION BY Lord Londonderry was stated to have been responsible for the Home Secretary remitting £20 of the £25 fine imposed on an R.A.F. officer for a "practical joke."

The officer, posing as an Army intelligence officer, phoned his father that parachutists were to attack the north-east that night.

Lord Londonderry's letter, sent on behalf of R.A.F. Squadron Leader Chaplain Ernest William Lees May, was read by the magistrate's clerk at Belford Police Court, Northumberland, with other correspondence in the case.

This revealed that the magistrates had warned the Home Secretary (then Sir John Anderson) that they would give the facts full publicity, because they thought the offence too serious for the penalty to be reduced.

The Chairman when fining May £25 on August 14, 1940, said "The Bench is satisfied that there is no criminal or wicked intent, but that being said, the indescribable folly of the defendant's action remains and might have had consequences of the utmost gravity."

"Family Joke"

On August 26 Lord Londonderry sent Sir John Anderson a letter stating:

"Mr. May was a clergyman at Wyndham and I was very pleased indeed with him, as I think he was one of the best persons I have ever met."

"Notwithstanding this, he has been guilty of a very silly and unkindly joke for which he certainly deserves to suffer."

"I do think, however, that the punishment far exceeds the crime, and in these days when so many of us do not know where to turn for money, I would suggest that this fine to a very large extent might be remitted."

"I am very sorry the episode occurred. It was a silly family joke."

"£25 Too Little"

On October 1 the Under-Secretary of State wrote to the justices' clerk at Belford saying that because the "whole incident was a clumsy practical joke, the Secretary of State is disposed to think that a substantial part of the fine might be remitted."

Details of the case were sent on October 10 to the Under-Secretary of State with the following comment:

"On arriving at their decision to impose a fine of £25, the magistrates regarded the action as being so reprehensible that it could not possibly be met by a small or nominal penalty and, in fact, some of the justices considered that an even larger fine than £25 should be imposed."

On November 8 the Under-Secretary of State replied recommending that £20 of the fine should be remitted.



These members of a theatrical costumers' staff on fire watching duty found the cloaks of "Macbeth" and "Henry IV" ideal for keeping them warm during their stay on the top of the premises.—(Copyright, Fox.)

MINNIE, FIRE CAT MAKES IT 70

Minnie, cat mascot of London Fire Brigade headquarters, who walked into the place, adopted the Brigade, and then began supplying it with kittens. HAS DONE IT AGAIN.

When last she got into print, you'll remember, she had sixty-two kittens.

She has just put up the number by eight, making her score to date seventy—not out. All the kittens (like the other sixty-two) are being adopted by the Fire Brigade.

Now Minnie is busy teaching the kittens the knack of taking shelter when the "Bells go down"—which is what they say of a fire call in the Brigade.

Minnie learned it by experience a long time ago. At the first sound of the alarm, wherever she is, Minnie dives under a table and gazes with her green eyes at the huge boots of the firemen rushing by.

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FIRM TONE ON STOCK EXCHANGE

The London Stock Exchange was firmly held yesterday, heartened by the Premier's speech, but business was very quiet, being largely confined to gilt-edged, which were unchanged on the day. Among industrials, Cable and Wireless were strong and motors and some steel's slightly higher. Oils were quiet, Attock and Anglo-Iranian being lower, while Kaffirs were idle. In the foreign market Egyptian Unified were firm. Wall Street was hesitant.—Reuter.

THEY CALL HIM SO-AND-SO

Clerk of the Court to deaf relative of a boy summoned at Hastings Juvenile Court: "So you're his great-uncle. Is that what they call you?"

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By "Squaddy"

I AM VERY glad to see that Sgt. Fraser, Royal Scots, and L/Cpl. Bankier, Royal Scots, have at last succeeded in getting a trophy for football. This season, they have played in four Finals—The Lai Wah Cup Final against Civilians, The Kotewall Cup Final against South China, The International Cup Final for Scotland against England, and the last Final in the Governor's Cup competition.

ATHLETICS

THE Area Athletic Meeting will commence to-day at Shamshuiipo at 2.30 p.m.

It is being held on the Middlesex Regimental Sports ground owing to the uncertainty of the weather and because the Polo Club ground at Poundary Street is still waterlogged.

The events which will be held to-day are as follows:

3.00 p.m. 110 Stone Tug-of-War Semi-Final (A)
3.15 p.m. 110 Stone Tug-of-War Semi-Final (B)
3.30 p.m. Throwing the Discus Final
4.15 p.m. 2 Miles Relay-Heats
4.30 p.m. Putting the Weight Final
5.15 p.m. 440 Yards Relay-Heats
5.30 p.m. Throwing the Hammer Final

Teams for the Semi-Finals of the Tug-of-War:
8th Coast, R.A. v 5th A.A., R.A.
Middlesex v 12th Coast, R.A.

Pie, Lever (Middlesex) is expected to better his last year's throw for the Javelin of 177 ft. 7 inches. He has also improved with his throwing of the Discus.

Royal Scots should win the Throwing the Hammer to-day. Last year their first string threw 117 ft. 2 inches.

The 2 Miles Relay was won last year by the 12th Coast Regt., R.A. in 8 mins. 45 1/5 secs.

The 440 Yards Relay was won by the Middlesex in 46 2/5 secs.

To-morrow the Sports will commence at 9.30 a.m., and continue until 5 p.m.

The Finals will be held on Thursday commencing at 2.30 p.m. and at the conclusion of the meeting H.E. Major-General A. E. Grasett, C.B., D.S.O., M.C. will

present the prizes to the winners of the Area Championship and winners of each event.

HOCKEY

IN the Colony six-a-side hockey tournament Middlesex Regt. "A" team emerged winners over C.B.A. by 5 points to 3 after a very fast and fine game of hockey.

The Engineers who had a chance of pulling off this tournament were knocked out in the Third Round by C.B.A.

Middlesex deserved the win and although their team was not at full strength they played well together.

Bright, their centre-forward was absent as he was playing in the Final of the Governor's Cup.

The Final match of the Large Units Hockey league will be played at Shamshuiipo between the Middlesex, who are the winners of this league and either the 5/7th Rajput Regt. or the 2/14th Punjab Regt. for the Garrison Hockey Cup.

ONE GAME PLAYED

Considering the threatening weather and the extremely bad light, it was surprising that the Colony Lawn Tennis Singles Championship semi-final match between S. A. Rumjahn, the holder, and Tsui Wai-pui was allowed to start yesterday at H.K.C.C.

A handful of spectators saw Tsui win the only game played after being 40-15 down.

FRANKS TO TRAVEL MILES FOR HOME GAME

If E. Franks of Laichikok Prison decides to play Lawn Bowls this season for Prison Officers' Club, Stanley, he will have to travel more than any other bowler for a home game.

Last year A. Jilott, who was in charge of the Remand Prison at the Central Police Station, was considered the most travelled P.O.C. lawn bowler.

MACAO RACE HANDICAPS

Following are the handicaps for the Macao race meeting to be held on the Area Preta Course, Macao, on Sunday, May 4:—

"THE KWAN CHAP HANDICAP" (First Section)—Six Furlongs.

Dow-Jones (142), Heddon (142), Lancashire Chap (141), Piet Hein (159), National Success (152), New Bedford (135) and Radium Star (140).

"THE KWAN CHAP HANDICAP" (Second Section)—Six Furlongs.

Black Diamond (145), Cuban Love (135), Hopeful Time (152), Mac's Adventure (152), National Anthem (140), Sunshine Susie (140) and Sports Venture (152).

"THE KWAN CHAP HANDICAP" (Third Section)—Six Furlongs.

Cloudy Star (146), Double Up (135), Eagle (158), Iron Knight (135), National Triumph (149) and The Mermaid (153).

"THE NAM WAN HANDICAP"—Six Furlongs.

King's Worthy (135), Lovely Star (159), Portrush (135), Royal Highness (135) and West Lake (142).

"THE CHAIRMAN'S CUP"—One Mile.

Country Flower (140), Coureur Bleu (140), Fairy Auk (152), Fairy Ousel (159), Hogmanay (150), Hohenfels (140), Meadow Eve (148), Merry Patty (140), Merry Maker (140), Rothesay Bay (140), Shanghai 4 (154), Shih Yin Grand (140), Victory Life (155) and Wood Nymph (140).



POLICE BOWLS PRACTICE TO-DAY

Police Recreation Club are holding an intra-Club match to-day, after which their League teams for the coming Saturday will be selected.

Following have been asked to attend:

C. Gough, G. Perkins, A. E. Carey and E. G. Post (skip), v G. Davis, H. Brown, W. MacHardy and W. Mair (skip).

W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd (skip) v J. Hayward, C. Pike, S. Nolan and F. C. Channing (skip).

A. Soutar, J. S. Riddell, J. McWalter and G. S. Alexander (skip) v C. Howell, R. Mackenzie, W. MacDonald and A. E. Aitken (skip).

Reserves:—R. C. Fitches, II, B. Dewar, J. Hunter, D. Taylor, A. Davitt, A. Stewart, A. Wilcox, W. Tillman, A. Smith and W. Gowan.

BADMINTON FINALS PROSPECTS DISCUSSED

By "Adrem"

THE FINALS OF THE VARIOUS COLONY CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS BEING HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF HONG KONG BADMINTON ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD AT KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB, THIS EVENING AND ON THURSDAY.

In view of the fine displays of both men, much speculation has been caused as to the respective merits of Wong and Choy, the singles finalists.

Whereas Choy is conceded to be the more complete player, with the added asset of having any amount of stamina, Wong has earned for himself the reputation of being a dour fighter with a great defence, who has in the past, beaten many a player acknowledged as his superior. Wong's short game is also very accurate and he has the ability to vary his pace and direction with great skill.

Choy has the better smash—the best in the Colony—but Wong has shown his ability to pick up smashes at singles. I have not really seen Choy extended as yet but unless he has more up his sleeve than he has revealed thus far, I feel justified in going against public opinion and backing Wong to retain his title, although I do this with my tongue very much in my cheek.

Change of Opinion

Prior to the display of Hooi and Miss Khoo in their semi-final against Oliveira and Miss Silva, I expected them to win the mixed doubles title. Now I am inclined to change my opinion. Miss Khoo is a good player but her positional play is very poor, whereas Mrs. Castro, her opposite number, has learned the importance of staying put at the net and thus letting her partner assume most of the work.

The strength of a chain is its weakest link and if Miss Khoo will persist in trying to match a player like Choy, her side is bound to lose.

Because of their better balance and long experience of each other's type of play, I fancy Hooi and H. F. Chew to beat Choy and K. B. Low in the other major event. Whatever happens, however, the match should be a close one.

In the minor events, Young (junior singles), Fisher and Wynter-Blyth (junior doubles) and Misses M. Silva and Miss M. Xavier (women's doubles) are favoured to secure titles.

All in all the badminton to-day and Thursday should be really first-class, with the added spice of uncertainty, and thus speculation added to provide that interest which should attract record crowds on both days.

ANOTHER MATCH TO-NIGHT

I have just been informed that Young will after all meet Chelliah in a junior singles semi-final and the match will start at 8 p.m. Following is the programme:

To-day

8.00 p.m. Junior Singles, Semi-Final:—T. S. Young (Chinese "Y") v D. Chelliah (University).

8.30 p.m. Women's Doubles, Final:—Miss M. M. Silva and Miss M. A. Xavier (Recrelo) v Mrs. Torrible and Mrs. Zimmermann.

9 p.m. Men's Junior Doubles, Final:—A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth (Kowloon C.C.) v C. C. Pereira and A. E. Xavier (Recrelo).

9.30 p.m. Men's Senior Singles, Final:—Patrick H. Wong (holder) (Chinese Y.M.C.A.) v K. W. Choy (University).

Thursday

8.30 p.m. Mixed Doubles, Final:—P. K. Hooi and Miss Ullah Khoo (University) v K. W. Choy and Mrs. Castro.

9 p.m. Men's Junior Singles,

HOW THEY REACHED THE FINAL

How to-day's finalists attained that mark:—

Women's Doubles

Miss M. M. Silva and Miss M. A. Xavier beat Miss J. Choa and Miss Churn, 15-4, 15-1; beat Miss M. Ribeiro and Mrs. O. M. Silva, 15-11, 15-12.

Mrs. Torrible and Mrs. Zimmermann beat Miss M. Noronha and Miss Pereira, 15-2, 15-2; beat Mrs. N. Castro and Miss T. Gonzales, 15-9, 15-11.

Men's Junior Doubles

A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth beat P. A. Vyandovich and B. T. Gosano, 15-2, 15-5; beat M. Lavalle and N. A. Beltrac, 15-3, 15-1; beat J. L. Anderson and W. Gillies, 18-13, 18-16.

C. C. Pereira and A. E. Xavier beat J. Hooi and T. B. Teoh, 15-6, 15-11; beat P. C. Leung and K. F. Chiu, 11-15, 15-17, 18-17; beat T. S. Young and M. K. Fung, 15-12, 15-8.

Men's Senior Doubles

K. W. Choy and K. B. Low beat J. J. Remedios and H. F. Gonsalves, 15-4, 15-10; beat P. Wong and C. Au, 17-15, 15-7.

P. K. Hooi and H. F. Chew beat C. Y. Yung and S. Koh, 15-12, 15-8; beat M. P. Young and Y. F. Young, 15-4, 15-11.

Final:—T. S. Young (Chinese Y.M.C.A.) v A. L. Fisher (Kowloon C.C.).

9.30 p.m. Men's Senior Doubles, Final:—P. K. Hooi and H. F. Chew (University) v K. W. Choy and K. B. Low (University).

BADMINTON "GREENS" AWARDED

Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo and Mr. George She were unanimously elected honorary legal advisers of the Hong Kong University Athletic Association at the second Council Meeting held recently, at the Union Assembly Room.

It was also decided that Messrs. P. S. Bun, M. S. Lim and H. F. Chew be awarded the badminton "green" for their remarkable skill in the game.

Mr. T. T. Lim was given a tennis "green."

The meeting was presided over by Mr. K. S. Oh, President of the Association.

K.F.C. BOWLS TEAM FOR TO-MORROW

Following have been chosen to represent K.F.C. against the Kowloon Docks R.C. at Hung Hom to-morrow at 5.15 p.m. sharp:—

A. Matintre, C. Dowman, T. Ferguson and W. Simpson (skip).

A. Lapsley, V. Atienza, V. Chittenden and W. Field (skip).

W. Naef, A. Eastman, P. Youngblood and E. Kern (skip).

The presentation of prizes for Cricket, Tennis, Bowls and Billiards will be held at Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday.

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CHANCE FOR YOUNG JOCKEYS

Apprentice riders too young for military service will have splendid opportunities during the flat-racing season, which opened recently, because the call-up has thinned the ranks of leading jockeys, writes a London Correspondent.

There are about 140 apprentices weighing between 5st 7lb and 8st. Only a small proportion of apprentices secured peacetime opportunities, but now nearly all will be given engagements. Those who have ridden winners are certain of plenty of work.

Gordon Richards, who has been the champion jockey for many years, volunteered for service, but was rejected. He will be riding this season. Other prominent jockeys will do the same when leave permits. Owners, trainers and everybody concerned in racing have fallen into line.

Restricted Fixtures

The Jockey Club's policy, with the Government's approval, provides a restricted fixtures list for the season's first three months. This policy might be defined as one which has solely racing's business needs in mind, including the future of the breeding industry.

Horses in training in 1941 number about 2,300, about a quarter of the number in training two years ago. Entries for Lincoln, the season's opening meeting, are about half the pre-war strength. The jumping season now ending has been remarkably successful, and there have been large crowds, despite the transport restrictions. As many as 40 starters have competed in some hurdles and steeplechases. Fields of 30 were common.

Miss Dorothy Paget, often the several starters in a race. She had three winners at a recent meeting. It is evident that racing, apart from the breeding viewpoint, provides relief from war strain, which members of the fighting services, both men and women, also business men, welcome. There are at least two greyhound meetings in the London area daily. These are held in the afternoons, and night workers mostly attend them.

HOME SOCCER FIXTURES

The following football matches will be played on May 3 at Home:

International

Scotland v England

London Cup

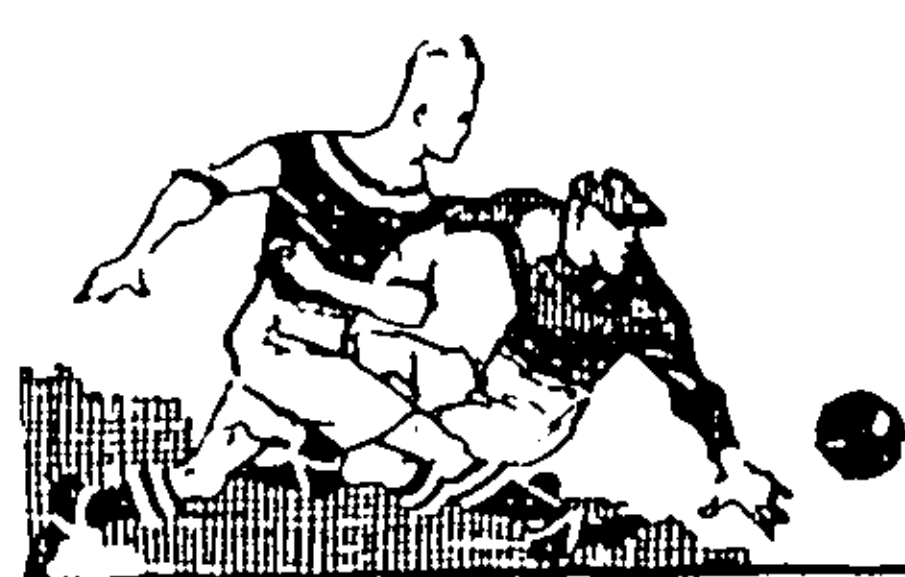
Chelsea v Queen's Park Rangers
Arsenal v Tottenham

Football League (South)

Bournemouth v Southampton
Brighton v Watford
Luton v Portsmouth
Norwich v Southend

South Regional League

Aldershot v Fulham
Crystal Palace v Clapton Orient
Northampton v Millwall
Reading v West Bromwich Albion
Wexham v Brentford



North Regional League

Barnley v Chesterfield
Blackpool v Manchester City
Bradford v Rotherham
Bury v Oldham
Hull v Middleborough
Manchester United v Liverpool
Newcastle v Leeds
Preston v Blackburn Rovers
Rochdale v Wrexham

Regional Match

Chester v Stoke City
Doncaster v Mansfield Town

West Regional League

Bristol City v Cardiff City
Lovells v Bath City

Midland Cup Final

Leicester City v Walsall

Lancashire Cup (Second Round)

Everton v Burnley

Scottish South League

Albion Rovers v Dumbarton
Hearts v Queen's Park
Saint Mirren v Third Lanark

GRAPHIC GOLF



Where Acceleration Slows Up

By BEST BALL

The average golfer is often guilty of making his follow through even before the ball has been hit. This may sound incongruous but timing devices on high speed cameras have proved it so. There is a marked decrease in the acceleration of the clubhead prior to impact. There is also a decrease in the velocity of the clubhead but this is noticeable later.

The acceleration seems to slow up at the time the wrists start to turn in order to bring the clubface to the ball at right angles. Apparently the wrist roll used in rotating the club at this point interferes with imparting more acceleration to the clubhead. Thus the golfer in reality has expended his energy before impact with the ball is made.

Next Article.—Path of Clubhead.

JUNIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

The most important fixture in the Colony Junior Chess Championship this week, is likely to be played off to-day, between A. Y. Biriukoff and To Yu-lau. The Chinese player is Biriukoff's only remaining formidable opponent and the loss of a point will bring him within reach of four other players—Un Kwai-yung, To Yu-lau, Tausz and Danenberg. These four have lost two points each in seven games and are well placed for the remaining rounds.

Other games for the week are the following: J. H. d'Almeida v A. Kurrik, R. C. Danenberg v Un Kwai-yung, J. Tausz v A. Morton, E. M. Petrove v V. V. Kolatchoff, and R. C. Gardner v Wm. Lee.

	P	W	D	L	Pts
A. Y. Biriukoff	8	6	1	1	6½
Un Kwai-yung	7	5	0	2	5
To Yu-lau	7	4	2	1	5
J. Tausz	7	5	0	2	5
R. C. Danenberg	7	4	2	1	5
J. Grefalda	8	4	2	2	5
A. Kurrik	9	3	3	3	4½
V. V. Kolatchoff	8	2	2	4	3
Wm. Lee	9	3	0	6	3
E. M. Petrove	6	2	1	3	2½
A. Morton	5	0	1	4	2
R. C. Gardner	3	0	0	3	0
J. H. d'Almeida	6	0	0	6	0



HOME RACING

The following are the probable starters and jockeys for 2,000 Guineas which will be run tomorrow.

Mjster Sawyer (Bridgland), Usonge (E. Smith), Devonian (Perryman), Selim Hassan (Bary), Sollum (C. Richards), Starwort (J. Taylor), King's Jester (Gethin), Annatom (S. Wragg), Morogoro (H. W. A. Ragg), Owen Tudor (Gordon Richards), Burnt-bow (Lowrey), Sun Castle (Beasley), Orthodox (D. Smith), The Derby Star (Maher), Sun Ray (A. W. Ragg), Camperdown (Llewellyn), Chanda (Lacey), Sunny Island (Nevett), Lambersimnel (Elliott), Fairy Price (Lane).—Reuter.

Ryan Fails In Eighth Round

At Nottingham recently Jackie Paterson retained his British and Empire fly-weight championship, defeating Paddy Ryan on a technical knock-out.

The referee stopped the bout with Ryan helpless midway through the eighth round.

Paterson demonstrated to me two things (writes Norman Hurst) — that he is a great and worthy champion and that, provided he can continue to make it, there is no man at the weight in the world who can beat him.

Ryan did fairly well for the first three rounds. Then in the fourth he ran into his old trouble, cuts over his eyes.

These cuts were brought about through fair and legitimate punches. So far as Ryan was concerned it was just tough luck.

Only One Result

From the fourth round onwards it was plain he was wearying, and his puniness and willingness were not enough against the snappy and precise punching of the champion.

There were two highlights in the fight — in the sixth round and in the last round.

In the sixth round Ryan started an attack, but suddenly Paterson sent him to the ropes with a hard left to the jaw. The Irish lad pluckily tore back.

to attack, and Paterson measured him with a terrific left to the jaw as he came in followed by a right to the body, and Ryan went clean over the bottom rope on to the outside platform, gripping the bottom rope to save himself from rolling on to the floor.

Game To End

Ryan managed to beat the count, but he was wobbly-kneed and glassy-eyed as he pulled himself erect.

It was a question of how long the little battler could withstand the fury of the cool, deadly attack of the title-holder.

He was battered around the ring so badly that there were cries of "Stop it" from the crowd.

It was plain, however, the end was in sight. It came in the eighth.

TUNNICLIFFE HAS NARROW ESCAPE

I hear from Sir Stanley Jackson that old friend John Tunncliffe, one of the greatest of Yorkshire opening batsmen, was buried for three and a half hours in an air raid but survived, writes a Home correspondent.

Long John, of Pudsey, now 74 (ye gods, how tempus fugit), very long and lean with telescopic arms, a terror in the slips, where, with Wainwright as second gravedigger, they mapped over 900 victims between them.

John was an earnest Nonconformist, and often preached on Sundays during tours.

Tunncliffe and Brown's first-wicket 554 stood up as a record for 34 years, when another Pudsey man called Sutcliffe beat it by one run with Holmes in the partnership.

Remember the heartbreak that one run caused? When the scoreboard said 555, Sutcliffe (313) threw his wicket away. Then scorers broke the news that the board had one run too many up — anxious conference.

Later a missing no-ball was traced, the books put right, and Yorkshire breathed again.

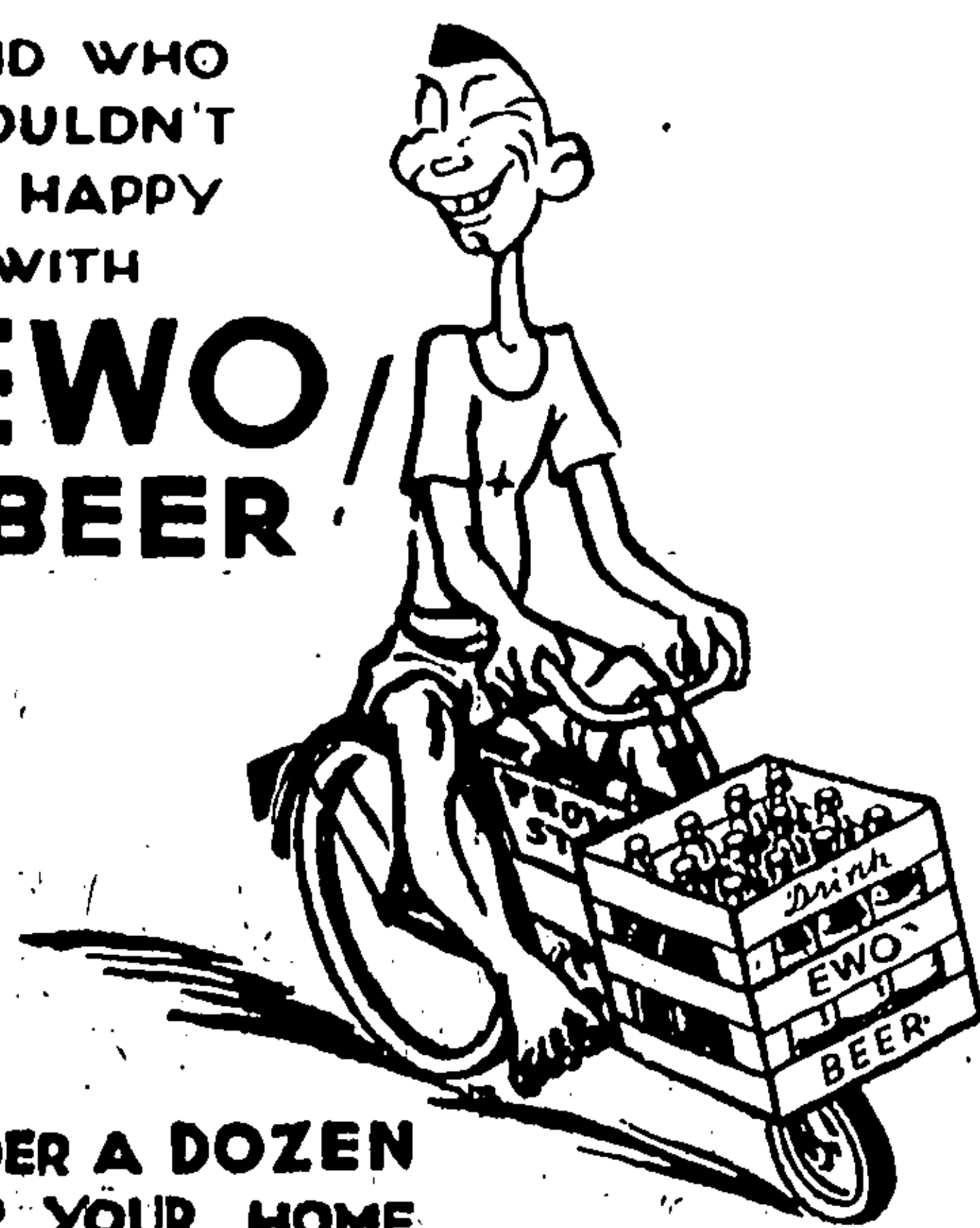
A Physical Training Display will be held by the C. M. S. Heep Yun School on the School grounds (near Kowloon City), on Saturday, from 3 to 4.30 p.m.

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NATIONAL GOVERNMENT IN AUSTRALIA

Mr. D. O. Watkins, Member of the House of Representatives for Newcastle (New South Wales), one of the strongest Labour constituencies, declared in Sydney yesterday that Labour should either attempt to govern or enter a National Government.

He is the first Labour member to express publicly views which are held privately by many other Labour members. —Reuter.

FRITZ KREISLER CRITICALLY ILL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") The condition of Fritz Kreisler, the world-famous violinist, who is still in hospital after being knocked down by a lorry, is stated to be critical. —International News Service.

GREEK CREDITS FROZEN

President Roosevelt yesterday ordered the immediate freezing of Greek credits and cash in the United States, says a Reuter message from Washington.

Offensive Patrols Over France

A NEW STIRLING BOMBER of the R.A.F. Bomber Command carried out a daring and successful daylight attack on Emden yesterday, it is learned in London.

The aircraft came down to a low altitude, dropped a heavy load of bombs and then opened machine-gun fire from a height of 1,500 feet.

Defying a heavy storm of A.A. fire, British Blenheim bombers yesterday pressed home an attack from a low altitude on two enemy destroyers escorting supply ships off the Dutch coast.

Their bombs were seen to strike home and one of the enemy warships was later seen spouting a great volume of smoke and came to a standstill, says an Air Ministry communique.

Four aircraft are missing. Bombs were dropped on a factory and railway yards at Moppel, near the Zuyder Zee, and other targets were Den Helder dock and De Knooy aerodrome. One aircraft is missing.

Offensive Patrols

British fighters destroyed an enemy bomber off the Dutch coast. One fighter is missing.

It is also believed the R.A.F. carried out offensive patrols on the other side of the Channel again yesterday.

There was considerable air activity over the Straits of Dover and the south-east coast of England.

Small formations of British fighters and a group of bombers with a fighter escort were seen flying towards the French coast. —Reuter.

Cologne Raid

A daring attack in daylight was made on Sunday by aircraft of the Bomber Command on an industrial plant in the neighbourhood of Cologne with skillful use of cloud cover, states the Air Ministry news service.

After an outward journey of nearly 300 miles the British aircraft flashed out of the clouds and dropped on the factory buildings. A military dump just north of Cologne was also bombed.

De Knooy aerodrome and docks at IJmuiden were also attacked, and other aircraft swept the French coast for enemy shipping.

An enemy patrol vessel of about 1,250 tons was sighted a few miles south of St. Mathieu Point and there was an immediate engagement. The ship put up a vigorous defence which continued until a heavy bomb exploded amidships. —British Wireless.

LINDBERGH LETTER TO PRESIDENT

In his letter to President Roosevelt, tendering his resignation, Colonel Lindbergh said "Your remarks at the White House at a press conference on April 25, involving my Reserve commission, disturbed me greatly.

"I had hoped I might exercise the right as an American citizen to place my point of view in peacetime without giving up the privilege of serving my country as a member of the Air Corps, and in view of the other implications you, my present superior officer, made concerning my loyalty to my country, my character and my motives, I see no honourable alternative other than tendering my resignation as colonel in the Air Corps Reserve.

"I take this action with the utmost regret for my relationship with the Air Corps was one of the things that meant most to me in my life.

"I place it second only to my right as a citizen to speak freely to my fellow countrymen and discuss with them the issues of war and peace which confront the nation in this crisis.

"I will continue service to my country to the best of my ability as a private citizen." —Reuter.

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(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the U.S. Treasury, said yesterday he is still trying to obtain presidential approval to freeze Axis wealth in the United States and subject the withdrawal of funds to Treasury licence.

After campaigning over half a year to freeze the wealth of Germany, Italy, Russia and Japan, Mr. Morgenthau indicated he had received "some encouragement over the week-end."

He did not state categorically, however, that a freezing order would be issued.—International News Service.

JAPANESE
PLANS IN
INDO-CHINA

The possibility that Japan will shortly launch upon penetration of southern Indo-China, including Saigon and Camranh Bay, is suggested by foreign observers in Shanghai to-day.

These observers think the time has come when Japan, for psychological reasons, may be expected to attempt to show some fruits from the Soviet Pact and Mr. Matsuoka's visit to Berlin in the way of southward expansion.

They believe the sudden Japanese press campaign against Saigon and southern Indo-China may be the forerunner of such an expansion.—Reuter.

FEDERATED
WORLD STATE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Rajah Mahendra Pratap, self-named "missionary of humanity," is awaiting in Shanghai an invitation from Chungking to launch a campaign for a "federated world state" from China's wartime capital.

The Indian potentate, who claims to have surrendered all his

Troop-Carrying
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BOND ISSUE
IN AMERICA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The United States Government yesterday launched a seven hundred and fifty million dollar Defence Bond issue.

The defence of Britain and the United States is mentioned in the radio, newspapers and posters calling on the people to subscribe to the aid of the democracies.—International News Service.

French
Allege
Invasion

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

An announcement issued by the Vichy Government yesterday says two Free French columns have penetrated into French Somaliland.

The announcement alleges the authorities in French Somaliland "have declared their loyalty to Vichy, and will resist the de Gaulle forces landed on the coast." Embarking at Zeila, the Free French are alleged to have landed near Djibouti, and another force along the Addis Ababa railroad has reached Daouimles.—International News Service.

[These reports are from Vichy and require to be treated with reserve.]

riches to work for God, cabled General Feng Yu-hsiang last week.

He said that Bose, the exiled Indian leader, urged him to go to Chungking for the sake of "Asiatic freedom."—International News Service.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

BRITISH WARSHIPS AND MOTORISED TROOPS ARE FIGHTING SAVAGELY TO STEM A MULTI-HEADED ITALO-GERMAN DRIVE WHICH IS ACKNOWLEDGED TO HAVE CROSSED THE EGYPTIAN FRONTIER NEAR SOLLUM (WHICH IS BELIEVED TO HAVE FALLEN) AND TO HAVE PENETRATED TO THE REGION OF SIDI-BARRANI.

While warships heavily shelled Axis forces advancing along the sea road, Cairo military circles said British land forces are harassing the enemy's flanks.

Latest issued Cairo communique suggests that the attack has been stalled well short of Sidi Barrani.

There is no indication that the Italian and German forces are advancing southward through Egypt.

First Objective

The loss of Sollum was admitted in Cairo yesterday but there is no evidence that the battle for Alexandria and Suez is getting into its full stride.

It is more than 130 miles to what would be the first major Axis objective, Mersa Matruh, where the railroad to Alexandria and Suez begins.

In an encircling movement two Axis armoured columns took Sollum, whose defenders were heavily outnumbered.

Air Transports Blitzed

The R.A.F. is intensifying its action, bombing and machine-gunning a fleet of air transport disembarking troops at Benina.

Heavy casualties were inflicted and one transport was destroyed and several badly damaged.

Meanwhile the British capture of Dessie foreshadows the collapse of Italian resistance in East Africa.—International News Service.

Reuter quotes authoritative quarters in Cairo as stating last night that it is believed that Sollum, which is a frontier post, is in enemy hands following the thrust across the Egyptian border from Libya at the week-end.

Great satisfaction is felt in Cairo military circles at the fall of Dessie, in northern Abyssinia, which is on the main road from Addis Ababa.

Road Junction

Dessie is also at the junction of the road leading north-west to Gondar, where the Italians still hold out, and that running north-east to the Red Sea port

U.S.
WILL
ENTER
THE WAR

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The American banker, Mr. Thomas Lamont, declared yesterday that the United States, becoming gradually hemmed in, will enter the war.

While the U.S. intervenes with all its resources to save the Atlantic, he added, it can further aid Britain and weaken the Axis by an extension of further aid to China.

Mr. Lamont said the Japanese were stalemated and their "problem is not how to finish the war with a victory but how to make some sort of compromise to save face."—International News Service.

U-BOATS
SHIFTED?

While the forthcoming announcement on the new monthly basis of merchant shipping losses by enemy action, which will be made in mid-day, must be awaited for indication of the progress of the campaign against the German illegal sea warfare, it may not be without significance that the German Vice-Admiral Pflaffer has been at pains to explain in advance that the falling off in the total of tonnage sunk by U-boats is "due to German submarine craft having changed the region of their operations."—British Wireless.

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MAYNARD KEYNES TO MAKE OFFICIAL TRIP TO WASHINGTON

THE FAMOUS BRITISH ECONOMIST, MR. J. M. KEYNES, MEMBER OF THE ECONOMIC ADVISORY COUNCIL, IS MAKING A BRIEF VISIT TO WASHINGTON AT THE REQUEST OF THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER.

He will confer with the United States Administration and the British Supply Council on the operation of the Lease and Lend Act and other related matters.

The name Keynes has been much before the British public since the outbreak of war in connection with his plans for compulsory savings, aimed at curtailing private expenditure.

General idea of this plan was borrowed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer in his new Budget, which provides for crediting to taxpayers a portion of their Income Tax for use by them after the war.

Mr. Keynes was a Civil Servant for 13 years and is now back at the Treasury. He drafted some intricate agreements for the inter-Allied loans in the last War and was the Treasury's principal adviser at the Peace Conference. —Reuter.

THE VON WERRA INCIDENT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE GERMAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY INFERENTIALLY ACCUSED THE U.S. GOVERNMENT OF VIOLATING INTERNATIONAL LAW IN ITS TREATMENT OF GERMAN PRISONERS WHO HAVE ESCAPED TO AMERICAN SOIL FROM INTERNMENT IN CANADA.

The Nazi Embassy contested the treatment by Federal officials of von Werra, the German air ace, and challenged American right, as a neutral, to apply its domestic immigration laws to such German nationals.

They contend that von Werra acted within his international rights in fleeing the United States by jumping his \$10,000 bond. —International News Service.

WAR ZONE COURTS

War zone courts, to operate in any area invaded or heavily bombarded, have been formally established throughout England and Wales.

An Order was made yesterday by Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Minister of Home Security, under the Defence Regulations, dividing the country into 12 districts broadly corresponding to the civil defence regions.

A number of High Court judges will be appointed to act as presidents of the courts, which cannot function until an area has been declared a war zone by the Minister of Home Security.

Only cases of crime, calling for speed, will be dealt with, and a panel of judges will review death sentences or other cases where the president of a court has certified there should be a review. —Reuter.

CUSTOMS ABOARD "TOMISLAV"

AN EARLY SETTLEMENT IS EXPECTED OF THE ITALIAN SEIZURE IN SHANGHAI OF THE YUGOSLAV STEAMER "TOMISLAV."

Following Japanese-Italian discussions eight members of the Chinese Maritime Customs police boarded the steamer yesterday and will share watch with the Italian guards until the incident is settled. —Reuter.

GERMANY THINKING OF COLONIES!

Preparations are being made to form a German Colonial Ministry, said the Wilhelmstrasse spokesman yesterday, Germany regarding her colonial claims as "irrevocable." —Reuter.

NORWAY'S LEADERS GAOLED

Included in the latest list of 143 political prisoners in Oslo's principal gaol are many well-known Norwegians — ship-owners, editors, teachers and a supreme court judge.

This is according to the Norwegian telegraph agency in London yesterday, which adds the gaol also holds two British prisoners of war and several German and Spanish refugees.

The prisoners also include three German S.S. men and a German major, apparently as a result of frequent internal quarrels in the German civil and military forces. —Reuter.

RICE SOARS TO NEW HIGH LEVEL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Despite the Shanghai Municipal Council announcement that it will ship rice from Hong Kong and sell to retailers at cost, in order to relieve the food crisis, number one Saigon rice soared \$10 per zah over the week-end, reaching an all-time high of \$138 per zah.

Other grades increased accordingly. —International News Service.

MR. CHURCHILL STIRS AMERICA

"Only Shot And Shell Can Halt Conquest"—Mr. Bullitt

Provision Of Convoys May Soon Become Live Issue

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

OFFICIALDOM IN Washington greeted with mixed sentiments Mr. Churchill's assurances that American patrol ships would enter actual combat zones.

The United States capital got its first specific definition of this measure in the British Prime Minister's worldwide radio address.

Giving thanks to President Roosevelt for his announcement that the neutrality patrol would be extended wherever necessary to assure the security of the western hemisphere, Mr. Churchill provided information that U. S. warships would operate "outside the combat zones."

This has encouraged the non-interventionists in Washington, while some Administration supporters even advocate the virtual delivery of war goods to Britain.

Make Victory Sure

Mr. Sol Bloom, terming Mr. Churchill's speech a "calm and courageous review of the situation," said President Roosevelt must make "unflinching" use of his powers to "insure that victory is put in England's hands."

Mr. William Bullitt, former Ambassador to France, in a speech urged that cargoes be "delivered" to England as well as China.

Mr. Bullitt warned that only "shot and shell" can halt or alter world conquest and America is ready to fight for her freedom.—International News Service.

Battle Under Way

The battle for convoys for Britain is now fully under way, says Reuter, and Mr. Churchill's broadcast is widely regarded in Washington as changing the idea of "give us tools" to "deliver us tools."

A request made by Mr. John D. Rockefeller Jr. for convoys, and Mr. William Bullitt's impassioned plea for all aid at the risk of war, are other powerful blows in favour of convoys.

Various pro-Allied committees throughout the United States have also joined the cry.

A new organisation called the "Fight for Freedom Committee" has been formed, sponsored by prominent writers, journalists, lawyers, members of filmdom, advertisers and others.

Test To-morrow

This body is urging that all should write to their Congressmen saying the Fleet should control the Atlantic and convoy food and war materials, otherwise the Lease and Lend Act cannot be made effective.

Congressional opinion will become apparent when a resolution forbidding convoys comes before the Senate Committee on Wednesday.

This is expected to be defeated, and this decision, though negative, will help renew the public call for convoys, which most well-informed people in Washington believe must come soon.—Reuter.

Deep Impression

Mr. Bullitt's speech appears to have deeply impressed everyone and was given prominence in the press everywhere. A large audience frequently interrupted him with cheers.

Mr. Bullitt's forthright denunciation of Japan and his demand that China be given all possible aid has heartened all China supporters in Washington.

Renewed talk of a possible visit by Mr. Matsuo to Washington resulted in the matter being brought up at Mr. Hull's press conference yesterday morning, but the Secretary of State indicated he

knew nothing and doubted such a visit would materialise with any hope of success.

Risking A Defeat

As one Far Eastern observer told Reuter, having increased his political stature at home by his success in Moscow, Mr. Matsuo was scarcely likely to risk it by a defeat in Washington, and until Japan reverses its policy regarding the Axis it is difficult to see how anything but failure can face him should he come to Washington.—Reuter.

IRAN WATCHING EVENTS

The arrival of British troops in Iraq has had a most reassuring effect upon Iran public opinion in view of the close ties between Iraq and Iran which are linked by the Saadabad Treaty.

A certain section of the Iran press, however, has played up the news of German successes in Greece and the advance in Libya, according to reliable news received in London, states Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

There is much speculation as to German plans and the attitude of Turkey is watched with the greatest interest.—Reuter.

GIFT OF AUSTRALIA TO GREECE

PRESENTING THE CONSUL-GENERAL OF GREECE, M. VRISAKIS, WITH A CHEQUE FOR £50,000, THE PROCEEDS OF GREEK DAY APPEAL IN SYDNEY, THE PREMIER OF NEW SOUTH WALES, MR. ALEXANDER MAIR, SAID YESTERDAY THAT NONE IN THEIR RIGHT SENSES WOULD HAVE DOUBTED THE EMPIRE WOULD AID GREECE.

Expressing gratitude to Australia for giving all possible support to Greece, M. Vrisakis added the Anzacs fought with undaunted courage beside the valiant Greek Army. Their mutual sacrifice would not be in vain.—Reuter.

COAL STRIKE DEADLOCK

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Mr. William Davis, chairman of the Mediation Board, announced in Washington yesterday that negotiations for settlement of the 28-day soft coal shutdown had reached a deadlock.

Mr. Davis said the differences were practically insoluble, with southern operators refusing to yield.—International News Service.

A.B. SAVED 24 IN SEA

When piloting his torpedoed shipmates to safety, an able-seaman sighted a drifting lifeboat, took it in tow, and saved the sixteen exhausted men aboard who had also been torpedoed.

For this exploit Able-Seaman Sydney Herbert Light is awarded the George Medal.

Light's ship was torpedoed at night. All hands except Light and a greaser were thrown out of a swamped boat, but eventually eight men were got aboard.

The boat drifted away from the sinking ship. Seas swept over her.

Able-Seaman Light set sail. Ships were sighted but failed to see the boat.

A lifeboat was sighted with no ours or any signs of life aboard. But there were sixteen men from a torpedoed merchant ship aboard.

In spite of rising seas and wind and bailing all the time, Light towed the drifting boat until they sighted an unknown rocky shore.

There they laid off until daylight, but the boats were driven out to sea again. The men rowed all day.

Men in the towed boat were almost done when Light entered the vessel and massaged two men, gave them his stockings and dressed their wounds.

After ten days of privation, weariness and danger they sighted a British ship which answered a flare and came to the rescue.

Awards to officers and men of the British submarine Thunderbolt—originally the Thetis—for "courage, skill and seamanship in destroying an Italian submarine" were also announced.

Companion of the Distinguished Service Order: Lieutenant C. Crouch.

Distinguished Service Cross: Lieutenant J. Stevens.

Distinguished Service Medal: Chief Petty Officers C. S. Jones and J. K. Webster, Chief Engineer Artificer W. Curtis, Engine-room Artificer Third Class W. Glass, and Acting Petty Officer Telegraphist G. Yeats.

COMMUNAL CLASH AT CAWNPORE

A CLASH BETWEEN MUSLIMS AND HINDUS OCCURRED IN A BUSY PART OF CAWNPORE YESTERDAY.

Police fired on the mob and 10 were wounded.

The situation is tense and the District Magistrate has banned an assembly of more than five persons.

The situation in Bombay city shows improvement and Ahmedabad is quiet.—Reuter.

FULL SUPPORT OF AUSTRALIA

The acting Australian Prime Minister, Mr. A. W. Fadden, has cabled Mr. Churchill "You have the full support of Australia in your great work." This is according to newspaper reports from Sydney last night, states Reuter.

AS LONG AS BRITAIN STANDS

During a review of the war situation yesterday, the Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, warned the Canadian House of Commons there would be more reverses on land and sea "but as long as Britain stands no reverse will be decisive."—Reuter.

BRITAIN CONFIDENT OF RESULT

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking of the work of the War Damage Commission yesterday, said Britain had made greater provision for those suffering from enemy attack than any other country in the world.

"We have made full and comprehensive provision for personal injuries and war damage and there are many arrangements and adjustments designed to assist those in financial difficulties because of the war."

"It can truly be said that no nation which was not confident both of its ability and determination to achieve victory would have embarked upon such commitments and undertakings."—British Wireless.

RALLYING POLES OF AMERICA

THE VISIT OF GENERAL SIKORSKI, POLISH PRIME MINISTER, TO AMERICA HAS CONTRIBUTED IN THE HIGHEST DEGREE TO STIMULATE THE WAR EFFORT OF 5,000,000 POLES, DECLARED POLISH CIRCLES IN NEW YORK YESTERDAY.

His appeals to Poles in America to help the British and Allied cause have been heard by large and enthusiastic audiences in New York, Chicago, Detroit and Buffalo.—Reuter.

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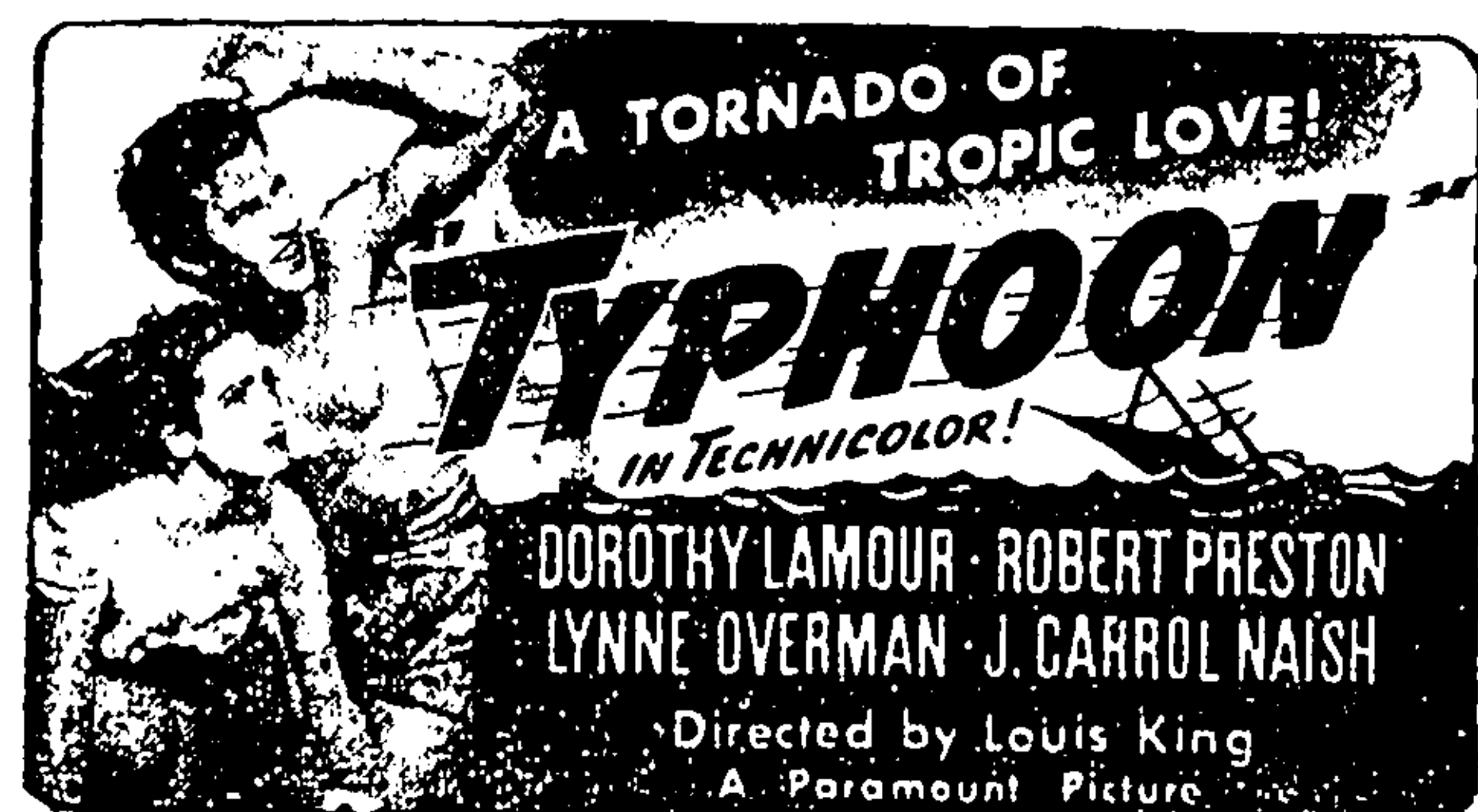
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DELICATE SITUATION ARISING AT DJIBOUTI

FREE FRENCH FORCES, supported by British motorised units, are massed on the southern frontier of French Somaliland, particularly in the neighbourhood of Daouenle station, on the Djibouti-Addis Ababa railway, according to a despatch from Djibouti, capital of French Somaliland, to Vichy yesterday.

The official French news agency says the French Government has issued the "necessary instructions" and that "there can be no question of our colony entering into negotiations with the Free French."

The agency adds that other Free French forces are believed to have landed in Zella, in the northern part of British Somaliland.

In London, Free French Headquarters state the Vichy Government is circulating rumours concerning Free French forces, supported by British Headquarters of the Free French Forces in London believe this news, issued by Vichy, should be accepted with reserve.

Spontaneous Movement

It has every appearance of being news of a spontaneous movement in the midst of the French garrison itself at Djibouti, the feelings of whom and of the population have been known for a long time to be favourable to Free France.

It will be remembered, state Free French Headquarters, that following the armistice, Djibouti was one of the first French possessions to send out a call for resistance.—Reuter.

LARGEST CONVOY OF THE WAR

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
It was revealed in London yesterday that the American volunteers for the R.A.F., Empire airmen, naval units and military specialists who have arrived in England, crossed the Atlantic in the largest convoy since war began.—International News Service

WAR EFFORT OF AUSTRALIA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Australian War Cabinet yesterday discussed the war effort, the acting Premier, Mr. A. W. Fadden, charging that German propagandists are trying to create a rift between Britain and Australia.

The Minister of Information, Senator Foll, promised to support the Greek campaign in Parliament next month. He joined the chorus of official and unofficial denials that the public disapproved of the Greek venture.

Minister's Statement

Mr. Richard Casey, Australian Minister in Washington, assured yesterday that Australia will extend rather than limit her war effort as a result of the Balkan reverses.—International News Service.

FUNERAL MONEY WILL BE NAZI'S

FOR TWENTY YEARS A GILLINGHAM, KENT, WOMAN HAS STEADILY SAVED HER SPARE COPPERS SO THAT SHE MIGHT NOT HAVE TO BE BURIED A PAUPER.

A week ago guns roared as Nazi raiders passed over her home and they gave her a new idea. She would give her money to help win the war.

Dressed in black, the old woman—now nearly eighty—knocked nervously at the door of the Mayor of Gillingham's home and handed the Mayoress ten £1 notes. It was her "funeral money."

Rather embarrassed she told her story. "I just want to help win the war," she said. "Use the money the best way. The funeral can look after itself." And without giving her name she walked away. The Mayor has decided to hand the £10 to the Spitfire fund.

CHINESE SAPPER FINED

Sapper Fung Yau-leung, of the 22nd Company, Royal Engineers, was fined \$5 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at the Central Magistracy this morning, for carrying a camera in a "protected area."

Accused was arrested near Wongneichung Police Station with the camera in his possession. Sgt. W. S. Dall prosecuted.

YOUTH GAOLED

Chiu Yu-sum, 20, Junior Immigration Assistant, residing at No. 173, Hennessy Road, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, for attempted larceny from an unknown Chinese in Johnston Road on Friday.

THE BALKANS SIDESHOW

The Swiss newspaper "Volksrecht" says that even with the German entry into Athens the war will not be decided or concluded.

The decision of defeat or victory will only be taken when mastery of the sea and air has been settled.

The "National Zeitung" declares it was clear from the outset that the campaign in Greece might influence the struggle but would never bring a final decision.

Now the question is where the attackers will choose to deliver their next offensive.

The Germans are compelled to follow the British so long as the German Command does not decide to attack the British Isles.

Suez and Gibraltar offer two nerve centres for a partial solution but the main front is England and it is there the war will be decided.—Reuter.

BOMBED OUT AT 102

Bombed out of his home, Mr. John Meredith Beale Evans, Birmingham's oldest man, has died in his 103rd year at the home of a granddaughter in Hall Green, Birmingham.

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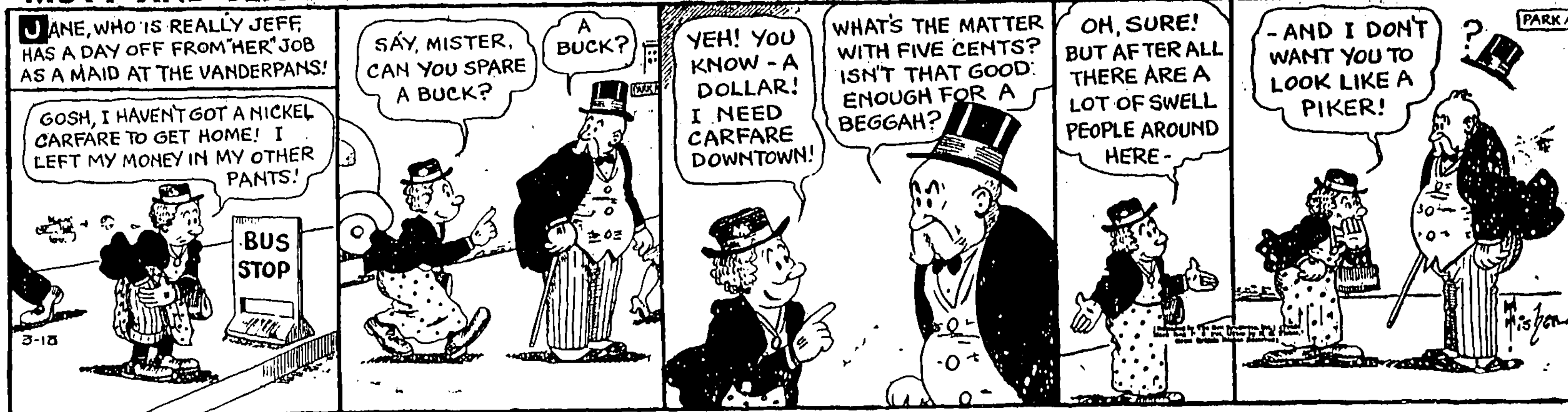
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CAPT. ROOSEVELT

Captain James Roosevelt was the guest of honour at a reception by the Hong Kong American Club yesterday.

When he leaves for Chungking, he will be accompanied by representatives of the Chinese Government.

MR. QUO TAI-CHI ENTERS ON BUSY PROGRAMME

MR. QUO TAI-CHI, new Chinese Foreign Minister, who received an ovation with Dr. Hu Shih (Ambassador to the U.S.) from a large Washington audience on Sunday night, starts a busy programme to-day which will bring him into contact with many important Congressional and Administration leaders.

To-day Mr. Quo is to see Mr. Cordell Hull and then President Roosevelt. Later he will call on Mr. Henry Wallace, the Vice-President.

To-night the Chinese Embassy will be the scene of a dinner at which Mr. Henry Morgenthau (Secretary of Treasury), Mr. Henry Stimson (Secretary of Army) and Senator Barkley will be present.

To-morrow Mr. Quo calls on Mr. Morgenthau and Mr. Jesse Jones (Federal Loan Administrator) and in the afternoon will be guest of honour at a big reception at the Embassy gardens attended by representatives of the official, diplomatic, social and press sections of Washington.

On Thursday he will be the guest of Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, at lunch, and on Friday will be entertained to lunch by Mr. Cordell Hull.

The same evening he will meet at dinner at the Chinese Embassy Mr. Jesse Jones, Professor Felix Frankfurter and Mr. Sol Bloom. —Reuter.

GERMAN AIRMAN'S SUICIDE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

German bombers attacked the North East Coast of England early on Monday morning, according to an Air Ministry communique.

One enemy bomber was shot down and three members of the crew were captured. Another member of the crew committed suicide.

On the South East of England one enemy bomber was destroyed.

South West of England and the North East Scotland were also attacked during the night but damage was small and there were no casualties.

Portsmouth was raided earlier, causing damage to residential areas. Casualties were heavy, but the number of killed was not large. — International News Service.

FRENCH REFUGEES RETURN

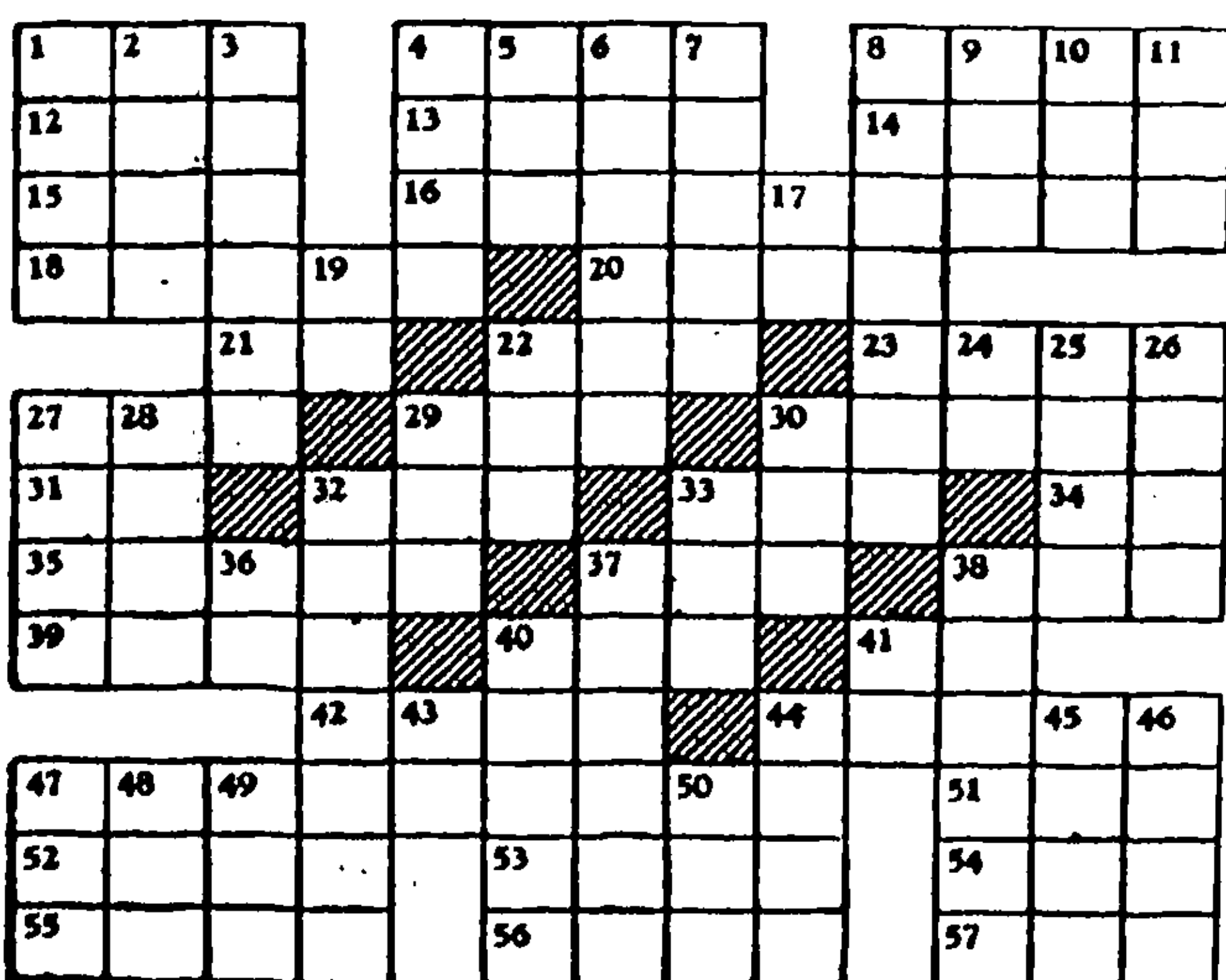
Twenty thousand French refugees — the last from Switzerland — have returned to unoccupied France, said Radio Lyons. — Associated Press.

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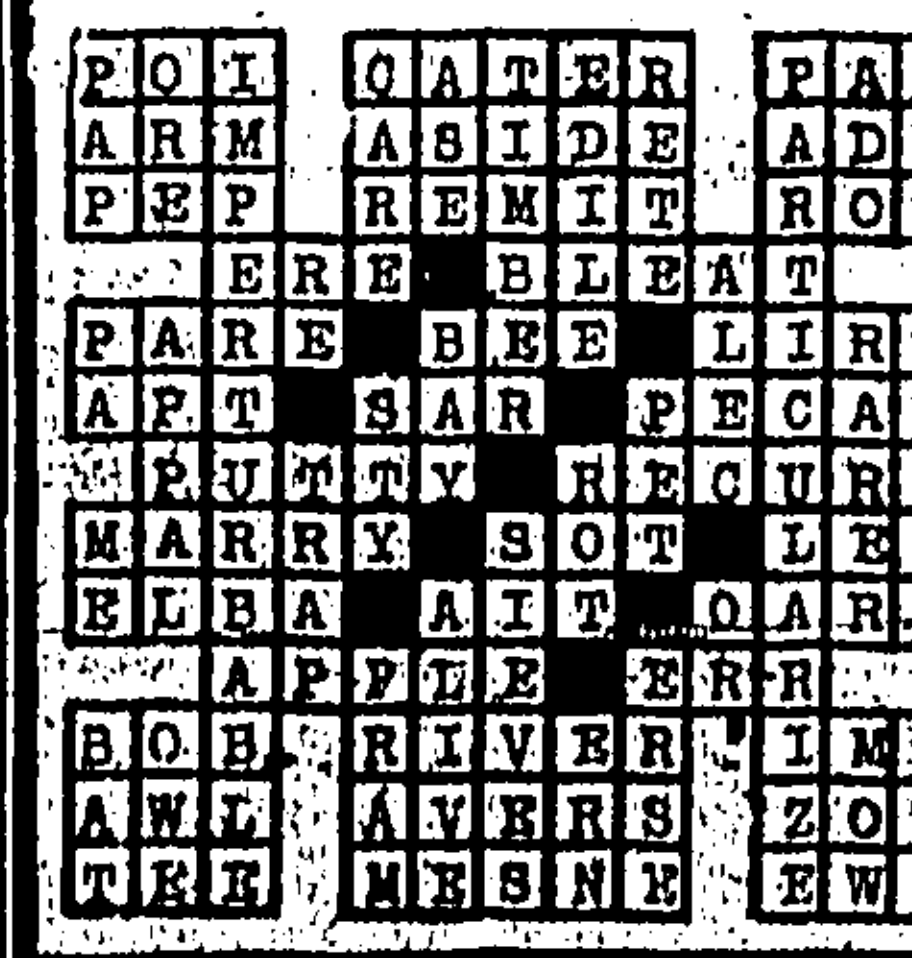
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- 1 Worm
- 4 South American rodent
- 8 Soaks
- 12 Nothing
- 13 In a line
- 14 Leg joint
- 15 Palm leaf
- 16 Anxious
- 18 Pertaining to the sun
- 20 Neat
- 21 King of Bashan
- 22 Coat
- 23 Principal
- 27 Slang: to flee
- 29 Distant
- 30 To stop
- 31 Spanish article
- 32 Carpet
- 33 Evil
- 34 Four
- 35 Consumed
- 37 To put on
- 38 Peer Gynt's mother
- 39 Snare
- 40 Roman bronze
- 41 Land measure
- 42 To endure
- 44 Male relative

VERTICAL

- 1 Man's name
- 2 Storage place for grain
- 3 Skiing race
- 4 Couple
- 5 Upper limb
- 6 Mineral
- 7 Cognizant
- 8 Passed over the surface of
- 9 Pronoun

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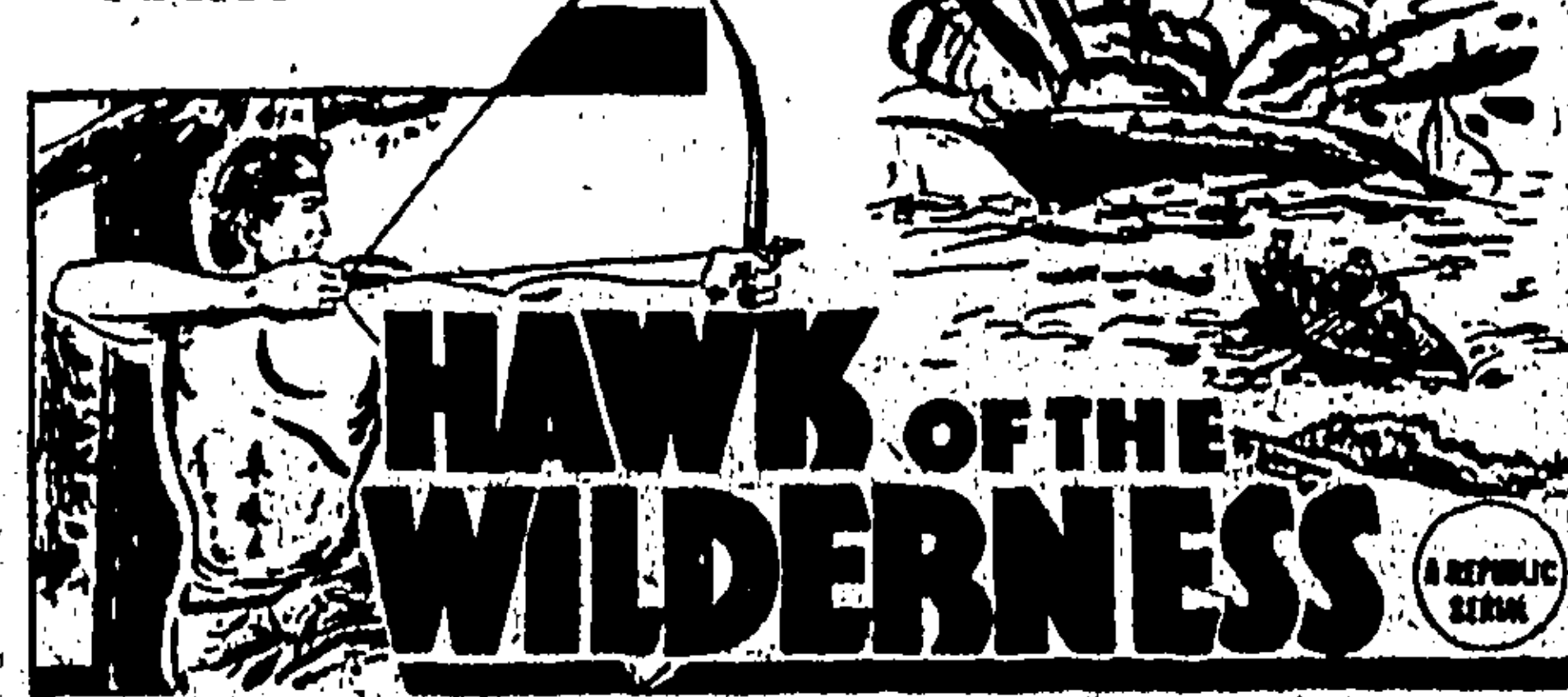
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BIRTHDAY OF THE EMPEROR OF JAPAN

IN CELEBRATION OF the fortieth birthday of H.I.J.M. the Emperor Hirohito, a reception was given at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden this morning by the Consul-General for Japan, Mr. S. Yano.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, and H.E. the G.O.C. Major-General A. E. Grasett, were among the large and distinguished assembly.

Felicitations were exchanged, and toasts to His Majesty the King and His Imperial Japanese Majesty were honoured.

Efforts For Peace

Mr. Yano said: It is my great honour and privilege to have your Excellency, the Governor of Hong Kong, my dear Colleagues of the Consular Body and other distinguished guests representing various nations at this reception in celebration of the 40th anniversary of His Imperial Japanese Majesty's Birthday.

I am very much pleased to inform you that His Majesty is in excellent health, although His Majesty is very busy day and night dealing with the state affairs of various directions and that His Majesty has been deeply concerned about the world crisis and kept constant efforts to bring about peace, prosperity and happiness to the Japanese nation as well as to the whole humankind.

On this occasion of celebration, I cannot but recall into my mind that the traditional friendship in the form of alliance, existed between Great Britain and Japan, once saved the Far East from the Russian invasion and marked on history a brilliant page as an eternal contribution to the world civilisation.

I am confident that the same spirit, still kept alive in the hearts of both nations, shall be rekindled by means of mutual understanding to serve as a stabilising factor in the Far East.

Your Excellencies, Your Honours, Ladies and Gentlemen, I hereby beg you to join with me to drink to the health of His Britannic Majesty.

Noble Work

H.E. The Governor, replying, said:—All British people here today will have heard with high appreciation the amiable terms in which the Japanese Consul-General has proposed the health of His Britannic Majesty; and as His Majesty's representative in this Colony, I gratefully acknowledge the toast.

I can assure you, Mr. Consul-General, that it is the wish of the British people to continue to live on the friendliest terms with your distinguished nation, with whom we have much in common. I agree wholeheartedly with you when you say that mutual understanding between us would greatly help this quarter of the world to achieve and maintain stability.

It is with deep pleasure that we have heard that His Imperial Majesty, the Emperor of Japan, is in good health. His Majesty's endeavours in the cause of peace are well-known to us in Great Britain and I pray that he may long be spared for that most noble work, and that he may be successful therein. We offer His Majesty our most respectful congratulations and good wishes on his birthday.

Mr. Yano, on behalf of your guests I beg to thank you for your charming hospitality to-day.

I call on all present to join me in drinking the health of His Imperial Majesty, the Emperor of Japan.

OUR VICTORIES BREAK UP THEIR HOMES

Each new British victory in Africa threatens to break up another home in the French Riviera. All along the coast of France live Franco-Italian families.

For generations these families have lived there.

As the guns overseas boom British victory, constant quarrels take

LINCOLN EXPRESS TRAGEDY

Six boys of Ampleforth College, Yorkshire, were killed and seven injured when they jumped from a blazing coach at the rear of the midday London-Newcastle express yesterday near Claypole, Lincolnshire.

TWO SONS OF THE BELGIAN PRIME MINISTER, M. PIERLOT, ARE REPORTED TO BE AMONG THE KILLED, AND ANOTHER SON WAS AMONG SEVERAL BOYS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL SUFFERING FROM BURNS.

Official account of the tragedy says the coach next to the rear brake van caught fire.

The train was stopped and every effort made to extinguish the fire but the coach immediately in front and the brake van behind caught fire before the train could be uncoupled and cleared of the blazing coach.

The coach in which the fire started was reserved for 64 Ampleforth College boys, and a number of them jumped from the train before it could be brought to a standstill.—Reuter.

HE BLEW HIMSELF UP IN REVENGE

In revenge for being ordered to vacate his room, William Wright, forty, blew himself to bits with dynamite in the lounge of an hotel at Buffalo, New York.

"I'll get even with you for this," Wright had told the manager.

Later he returned with a parcel, and when sitting alone in the lounge there was a big explosion.

The police are unable to determine how he exploded the dynamite.

MINNIE, FIRE CAT MAKES IT 70

Minnie, cat mascot of London Fire Brigade headquarters, who walked into the place, adopted the Brigade, and then began supplying it with kittens.

When last she got into print, you'll remember, she had sixty-two kittens.

She has just put up the number by eight, making her score to date seventy—not out. All the kittens (like the other sixty-two) are being adopted by the Fire Brigade.

Now Minnie is busy teaching the kittens the knack of taking shelter when the "Bells go down" which is what they say of a fire call in the Brigade. Minnie learned it by experience a long time ago. At the first sound of the alarm, wherever she is, Minnie dives under a table and gazes with her green eyes at the huge boots of the firemen rushing by.

She's taught all her kittens to make for the table like greased lightning, and stop there.

Every one of them learned the lesson well.

ALIENS OFFER £1,000 FOR £45 TICKET TO SAFETY—FAIL

SCORES OF ALIENS in Britain are trying to give away £1,000 for the privilege of buying a £45 steamship ticket.

But no one will have it.

That ticket will take them to somewhere in America. They don't mind where — so long as it is away from the blitz.

But the travel agencies are keeping a close watch. They have turned away hundreds of thousands of pounds in "bribe" money.

Said an official: "We get hundreds of applications every month for berths on ships leaving for New York. But passenger shipping across the Atlantic is almost at a standstill, so the majority of them have to be turned down."

"When we tell them this a lot of the would-be passengers—often wealthy people—make an offer. For instance, the fare to New York is roughly £45. When we tell them that few ships are sailing and reveal the scarcity of accommodation up goes their price immediately. It is nothing to be offered £700.

"Some passenger clerks have reported attempts to bribe them personally.

"But, of course, all these offers are turned down.

"If intended passengers are entitled to leave the country they are put on a waiting list. When a ship is available they are put on it as soon as possible."

An official of a firm of London exporters said: "It is true that large prices are being paid — for passages across the Atlantic. For instance, some weeks ago an American girl came to us. She asked us to arrange her passage."

"She has been earning thousands of dollars a year in America as a model. She has a New York pent-house, a luxury car, and a home in the country over there."

"The war has forced her to stay here and leave a big contract in America unfulfilled—even though she was willing to spend most of what she would have earned on getting back to New York. We told her she would have to take her turn with the rest of them."

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WINDSOR HOUSE

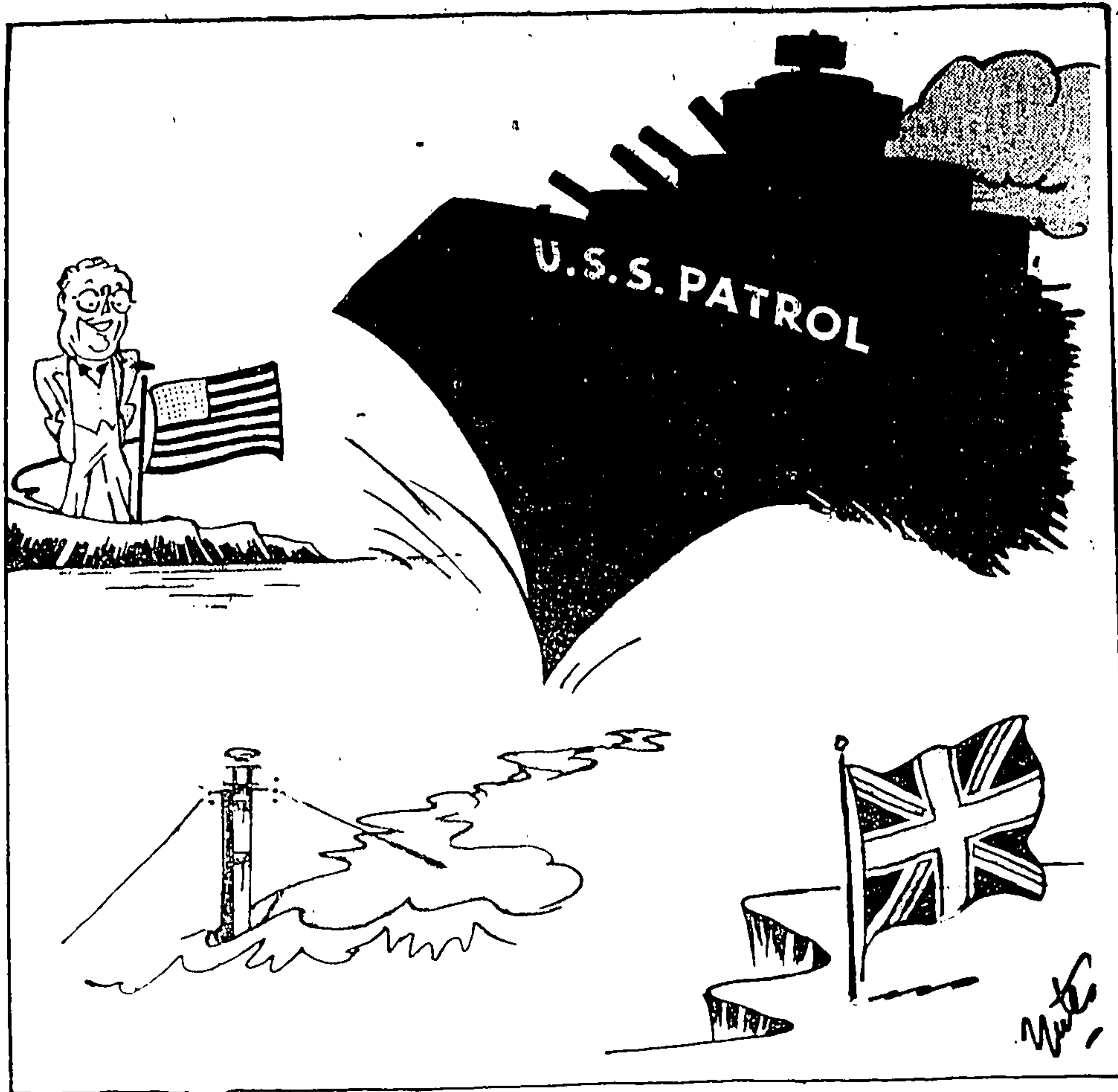
BRITAIN SPEALS

Those who listened to Mr. Churchill's broadcast, and it was heard by millions, must have felt once again the inspiration, the courage, the confidence and the honesty of the Prime Minister. Characteristically, Mr. Churchill made no attempt to gloss over the effects of the defeat in Greece or the danger in Libya, nor did he try to cheer his hearers with false hopes or vague promises. He has looked at all aspects of the present war in Europe so long that he seems to possess an uncanny power of prophecy as to its future course as well as its final outcome and can, therefore, speak more calmly and with greater assurance than a man of lesser vision.

Mr. Churchill did not waste time in abuse of the Germans or in such bombastic utterances as are so beloved by the German Fuehrer. He did not minimise the dangers to which the Democracies are exposed, but he was able to say that we must not lose our sense of proportion, that Hitler cannot find escape from avenging justice by adventures in the East, that he must conquer the British Isles or fail, and that the danger to which Britain is exposed to-day is incomparably less alarming than it was last summer.

Mr. Churchill poured scorn, furthermore, on suggestions of uneasiness and discouragement in Britain as a consequence of the Greek campaign. To refute the suggestion, the Prime Minister did not go to the night-clubs of London, but he went to the battered cities of England and among the people, and his verdict provided the most stirring passages of yet one more speech of historical brilliance.

As to the future, Mr. Churchill foresaw a new fierceness in the war in the Mediterranean, possibilities of great new trouble-centres, in Turkey, possibly in Russia, possibly again in the Far East. The participation of Spain on the German side, of the extension of the war to Morocco, cannot be ruled out. But none of these forays by Hitler could, in the long run, influence the real battle, now being fought over Britain's shores, over German industrial areas, and in the Atlantic. In the great Battle of the Atlantic, which Mr. Churchill saw as the crucial issue of the war, he referred significantly to Britain and the United States as partners



"PROTECTIVE SURVEILLANCE"

PROHIBIDO

"But we've never had anything banned before. Never!" Valenti replaced his glass on the counter with a bang to show his indignation and, incidentally, its emptiness. "What do you mean, banned?"

"Suppressed," said his friend Quito. "Forbidden. Prohibido."

"But it isn't even a real piece," said Valenti. "It's only a film. Why can't they just put the usual notice outside, 'Adults Only'?"

"It's not that sort of a film, hombre. It's perfectly decent."

"Then why does everybody want to see it?" demanded Valenti conclusively. "No, no, there must be something in it, and pretty strong, too, considering what you do see. Eh? Oh, thanks. Yes, same again."

The grocer served them and stood polishing a glass with his apron. "Maybe it's one of these orgies. Senor Valenti. Bacchanalian revels and so on. It's a long time since I saw a good orgy" he added wistfully.

"It's banned for political reasons," said Quito. "A certain foreign Power objects; we oblige them. It's only polite."

"I don't care what foreign Power it is," said Valenti warmly, "or whether they choke with their own macaroni. And it isn't that I want to see the thing particularly. I like a nice murder film myself — amateur murder — I mean, none of this Nazi stuff. I don't want to be told I can't go if I like. That's dictator's talk. Dictators — tch!" He aimed his cuspidor of them into a handy cuspidor.

"Very trying they are," assented the grocer, correctly interpreting the opinion. "Even the children talk about them. Why, at Christmas my boy said to me, 'Do

I get my presents from the kings as usual this year, or do I have to have them from the dictators?' Nice presents he'd get from them — a gag and a pair of blinkers."

"Still, you know, Valenti," said Quito, "they've a sort of right to object if the film makes the dictators ridiculous."

"Why blame the film?" said Valenti reasonably. "They do it themselves. And most of us haven't waited for that to have a good laugh at them."

"All the same," insisted Quito, "some censorship's necessary, so as not to offend people. For instance, you remember my boss used to take his family to Europe every year before the war — me and the car and the boys and his wife and all. We used to go to London for the season."

"What season, Senor Quito?" asked the grocer, as Quito, paused to sip his vino tinto.

"I don't know," said Quito, "the fog never cleared long enough for me to see. Well, I used to go to the pictures quite a lot to get warm, and, d'you know, half the English pictures had the villain an Argentine. But when they're shown here they call him an Egyptian or Rumanian or something. It's a form of censorship."

"Why do they pick on us, Senor Quito?" said the grocer, also rather flattered.

"Well, the villain is always the one that goes running after the girl, isn't he? So they can't make him an Englishman, because Englishmen don't."

The grocer regarded him in incredulous silence and Valenti cocked a sceptical eyebrow over the rim of his glass. "All lame or something?" he inquired.

"They don't have to," explained Quito. "In England, you see, there's about five women to one man."

"Is that so?" said Valenti, interested. "I've always fancied a trip to England. Do you have to be naturalised, or do tourists get the full quota?"

"Can you choose the five?" said the grocer, leaning over the counter.

"Those are statistics," said Quito patiently. "Figures in newspapers, you know. Five women, or four and a half. I don't remember."

"Como, a half?" said the grocer, wondering whether he had carelessly missed a customer's joke. "Inlesos were tall, of course, but half a woman!"

"You see that point," continued Quito, ignoring him. "You can't show a film that would offend a

lot of the people, because it wouldn't pay."

"Sounds like a better reason," said Valenti, "but it doesn't fit the case when it's only a few Italians. Who cares about offending them, anyway?"

"We're neutral," Quito reminded him. "This war's nothing to do with us."

"So's Carlitos neutral, and he made the picture," said Valenti. "Nothing to do with us, eh? Go and take a look round the empty harbour and say that again."

"The war hits us all," put in the grocer. "If you knew what this wine costs me now you'd be surprised."

"I dare say we should," said Quito dryly, "but the others are all as bad as you. And Montez's place is full of Germans, all 'Heiling' and arguing."

"I had an argument with one last time I was there," said Valenti. "He said that, naming no names, the greatest of Aryan races would soon be getting the earth and everything in it. So he got a bit from me — in his face, with a cactus in it; but he didn't seem to want it. No pleasing some people."

"They must be pleased just now about this ban, anyway," said Quito. "That's what they like, banning and orders and censorship."

"It's what they have to like," said Valenti, "but I can't see us taking to it here. I wonder, now, if the whole thing isn't a publicity stunt. The Mayor may lift the ban, and then everybody'll flock to see it."

"Vamos, che! The Mayor wouldn't lend himself to a thing like that. Nobody'll go out of his way to see it except those with a grudge against the dictators. It's quite simple if you want to; go over to Montevideo for the day. There's no ban on it in Uruguay."

"Is that so, senor," said the grocer thoughtfully. "That accounts for it, then. I've got a nephew working on one of the ferry-boats between here and Montevideo, and he says there's been quite a run on day trips just now, almost like there was the time of the Graf Spee. Always crowded they are."

"With us freedom-loving Argentines," said Valenti triumphantly and a trifle pompously, "showing our opinion of the censorship."

"With the English colony, I'll bet," said Quito instantly, "and the Americans."

"No, senores," said the grocer, for once contradicting them both. "That's what's so odd. It's mostly the Italians and the Germans."

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Formal Welcome To Colony's New Puisne Judge

MEMBERS OF BOTH branches of the legal profession were present at the Supreme Court this morning to welcome His Honour, the new Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall, who took his seat on the bench for the first time.

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, who presented Mr. Cressall, said:

Mr. Attorney: "I present to you and to the members of both branches of the profession my brother Cressall who this morning takes his seat for the first time on the bench to which he has been appointed."

"I have assured my brother that he will find from everyone who practices before him a high standard of professional attainment and a strict and jealous regard in the etiquette and decencies of the profession, and that he may confidently count on receiving from everyone that same measure of ready and willing assistance which has been always accorded to me and to all the Puisne Judges who have sat since I came to Hong Kong."

"On behalf of myself, the Registrar and every member of the staff of the Court, I extend to my brother Cressall a very warm welcome to Hong Kong, and our best wishes for his happiness here."

Warm Welcome

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, replying, said:

"Mr. Justice Cressall—I regard it as a great privilege to be present here to-day, on behalf of the Officers of this Court and of the members of both branches of the legal profession who practice in it, and to extend to your Lordship a very warm and sincere welcome on your taking your seat on this Colony's Bench for the first time, after a long and distinguished career in His Majesty's service and on the magisterial and judicial Bench in British Guiana and Palestine."

"We feel confident that the happy relations that have been established between the Bench and the officers and practitioners of the Court during the last century will continue to exist under your guidance as Puisne Judge of this Colony. We trust that your future here will be as happy as we are able to make it."

Cooperation And Friendship

Mr. Justice Cressall replied: "Mr. Attorney, I would like first of all to express my gratitude to the Chief Justice for his very kind remarks in introducing me to you and also to thank you for the very warm welcome you have addressed me."

"I can assure you that in my past experience on the Bench there is one outstanding thing that I have always tried to remember and that is that no member of the Judicial Bench can make successful his job unless he has the complete cooperation and friendship of his brother members of the profession."

"I myself always regard members of the profession as brothers in every sense of the word and I know as I sit here that members of the profession will extend to me the help and assistance that any newcomer to the Bench of this Colony is entitled to ask."

First Case

In his first case in Hong Kong, the new Puisne Judge gave judgment in favour of But Kwai-fong, of No. 72, Queen's Road East, first floor, in an action in which she claimed possession of the ground floor of No. 145, Lockhart Road, \$41.00 rent for one month, mesne profits and costs.

Mr. D. B. Evans, of Johnston, Stokes and Master, appeared for plaintiff, and said the case had been previously adjourned for a statement of defence.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ was then acting for defendant but now stated that he had no further instructions.

Evidence was given by plaintiff, and Kwong Wah, a messenger of Messrs. Johnston, Stokes and Master, who delivered a letter containing notice to quit.

INVASION IF AND WHEN

**Secret Only Hitler
Knows**

Reliable information reaching Whitehall from various sources in Germany and occupied territory indicates that Hitler alone knows if and when an invasion of Britain will be attempted.

From many countries in Europe reports are continually reaching London that invasion is imminent. It is believed in responsible quarters that the Nazis are putting these reports about, possibly as a smoke-screen to cover a drive elsewhere.

While British policy will not be deflected by such tactics, there is no inclination in Government circles to discount the prospect of an assault on Britain, nor to relax in the slightest degree our extensive preparations to meet it.

Little material evidence has been received lately of special activity across the Channel, such as new concentrations of troops barges. It is, however, known that there has been some reinforcement recently of the German troops in Norway.

Moreover, German forces have been so disposed for some time that an invasion could be attempted at the shortest notice.

SNATCHING INCIDENT

CHARGED WITH SNATCHING \$24 FROM CHAN YAM, SEAMAN, IN KWEILIN STREET YESTERDAY, WONG KAM-CHEONG, 18, WAS SENTENCED TO FOUR MONTHS' HARD LABOUR BY MR H. C. MACNAMARA AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING.

For returning from banishment, accused was given a further six months.

It was stated that when the seaman was walking in Kweilin Street, accused, with two others, approached him. One of them struck his hand and accused snatched the money.

The money was passed to one of the accomplices, before accused was arrested.

SENTRY SHOT DOWN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
A JAPANESE ARMY SENTRY WAS SHOT AT HIS POST IN HONGKEW BY A CHINESE WHO BOWED WHILE PASSING, WHIPPED OUT A GUN, FIRED AND ESCAPED.

Meanwhile Japanese civilians in Shanghai have mobilised themselves into a "vigilante corps" to scour the area with the help of the Settlement police.—International News Service.

STOCKING GIRLS FOR ARMS

Midlands hosiery centres, it is understood, are to provide over 20,000 women workers for the armaments industry in the next few months.

The workers will be transferred under a voluntary quota scheme agreed by the Ministry of Labour, manufacturers, and trade union leaders.

CENTENARY OF THE H.K.S.R.A.

Hong Kong and Singapore Royal Artillery, stationed in Hong Kong, will commemorate its centenary this year, it was learned from a military spokesman to-day.

Preparations for celebrations are now being made, but the date has not yet been fixed.

Shanghai Exchange Rumours

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The reopened Chungking banks in Shanghai are doing a heavy business although every client entering the premises is searched by police.

Pro-Nanking circles say they will allow the Chungking banks to carry on if 100 more Nanking men are attacked.

It is rumoured that the U.S. loan may result in the establishment of an exchange market in Free China and continuance of support of the Chinese dollar in Shanghai.

Brokers are of opinion that such a step is unlikely as long as the Americans maintain large interests in Shanghai.—International News Service.

SECRET WIRELESS STATION

Five Chinese, a reporter, a shop master, a student, one described as buyer for the Chinese Inspectorate and Statistic Bureau, and one unemployed, were charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry this morning, with unlawful possession of transmitting and receiving radio communication apparatus at No. 98, Robinson Road, second floor.

The accused were: Sum Hing-chung, 32, Luk Kam-wah, 23, Chan Chit, 28, Luk Kam-fu, 19, and Cheung Sik-tung, 34, and they were arrested at Robinson Road on information.

The case was adjourned until May 6, on the request of Mr. D. W. Waterton, of the General Post Office. Bail of \$2,000 each was allowed.

THEFTS FROM PEAK RESIDENTS

Mr. W. J. Knight, of No. 520, The Peak, has reported that between 4 p.m. on Sunday and 7 p.m. on Monday, some person broke the window of his car, No. 3092, parked in Connaught Road, and stole a raincoat valued at \$10.

Mr. D. Mitchell, of No. 522, The Peak, has reported that a pair of shoes, valued at \$15, was stolen from his car, No. 4184, which was parked in Statue Square yesterday.

GAMBLING RAID

For keeping a "tse fa" gambling school at No. 8, Po Kong Road, Lai-Ki, 23, was fined \$75 or three months by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon this morning.

Military Position In Greece Still Uncertain

TROOPS FROM GREECE REACH ALEXANDRIA

The Rome newspapers yesterday stated that the first contingents of the British Expeditionary Force in Greece have disembarked at Alexandria, says a Rome despatch to Vichy quoted by Reuter.

ISLAND RAMPART OF LIBERTY

"Destiny has chosen two islands as the last but worthy rampart of the free peoples of Europe—the great island of Britain and this Greek island," declared the Greek Prime Minister, M. Tsouderos, in a speech at Canae (Crete) yesterday.

"The people of these islands are fighting the supreme battle of liberty. A black flood has swept over Europe. Humanity has known in the past similar barbaric invasions but the civilisation of free men has always prevailed.

"THE MOVING SPECTACLE OF RESISTANCE TO THE AGGRESSORS HAS BEEN PRESENTED BY EVEN SMALL ISLANDS LIKE LEMNOS AND SAMOTHRACE, AND THE SPLENDID EXAMPLE SET BY THE GREEK PEOPLE AS A WHOLE IN FIGHTING SIX MONTHS AGAINST AN EMPIRE.

"We have come to this land of liberty and courage in order that we should not allow ourselves to be enslaved and to continue the fight."—Reuter.

MURDER OF FAMILY ALLEGED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

EASER GIBSON, 32-YEAR-OLD FARMER AND RELIGIOUS FANATIC, WAS CHARGED AT MOBILE (ALABAMA) YESTERDAY WITH THE MURDER OF HIS WIFE AND THEIR FIVE CHILDREN.

The mother and the children, aged from seven months to seven years, were found burned to death in the ruins of a farmhouse near Mobile.

Officials believe they were dead before the house was set on fire. Gibson refused to make a statement.—International News Service.

FRITZ KREISLER CRITICALLY ILL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The condition of Fritz Kreisler, the world-famous violinist, who is still in hospital after being knocked down by a lorry, is stated to be critical.—International News Service.

THERE HAS BEEN no official British statement on the military situation in Greece since Sunday's announcement that "our troops are continuing their withdrawal."

The magnificent spirit in which the Greeks fought, and the true comradeship of arms and of the endeavour which the Greek Army, Greek people and Greek Government have shown to the forces of the British Empire which came to their aid, and which have shared with them the honours of a hard-contested retreat, have called forth a deep response from the public in Britain.

The "Manchester Guardian" expressed the sentiment of the whole people when it declared "Of all tragedies of the war the most poignant is the tragedy of Greece. The Greeks have written the most heroic chapter of their history."

Cruellest Blows

"They have kept alive, too, the spirit by which they will one day, we all hope and believe, recover their freedom."

Unanimity of sentiment is shown by the closeness of thought which inspired "The Times" statement: "To all lovers of tradition, of liberty and of that freedom of thought which, with so much else, our world owes to Greece, the occupation of Athens by Nazi troops is one of the cruellest blows free men have endured since Hitler began his callous and unbridled aggression."

"It is bitter to know that the swastika is now flying over the city which in the time of civilisation's greatest weakness defied Alaric and his Goths."—British Wireless.

AXIS FASHION PARADE

More than 200 German business men were among those attending a reception given at Turin by the Italian fashion organisation at which dress and millinery styles were exhibited.—Reuter.

THEFT BY FINDING

THAT HE STOLE THE COAT BECAUSE IT WAS RAINING, WAS THE EXCUSE OF CHU KIM, 23, WHEN CHARGED WITH THEFT BEFORE MR. H. C. MACNAMARA AT KOWLOON THIS MORNING.

Sergeant Bodie said that the raincoat was the property of a Police Reserve, John A. L. Chang, who visited the Majestic Theatre last night. After the show, he left it behind on the seat.

Returning, he found it had been taken away.

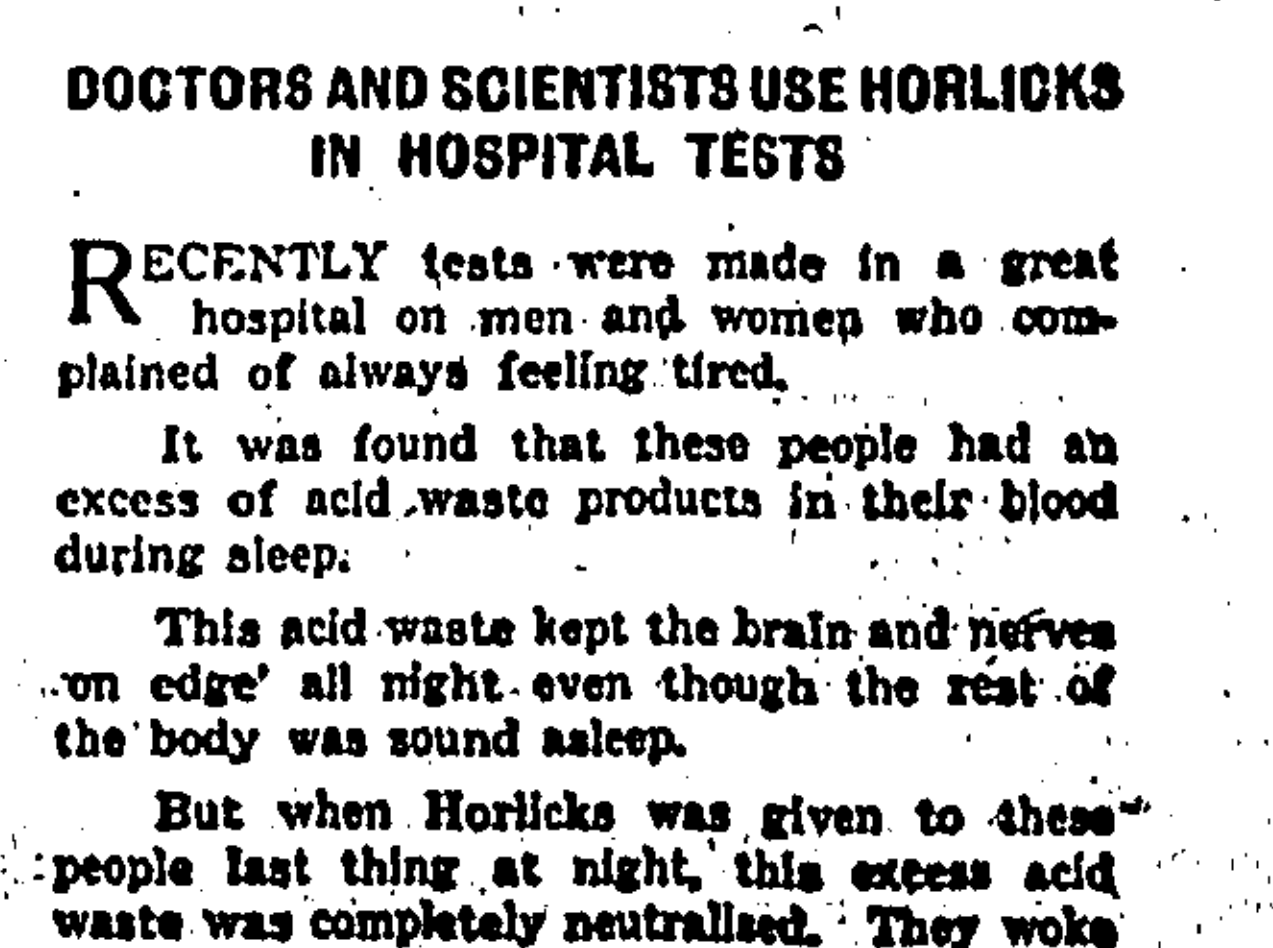
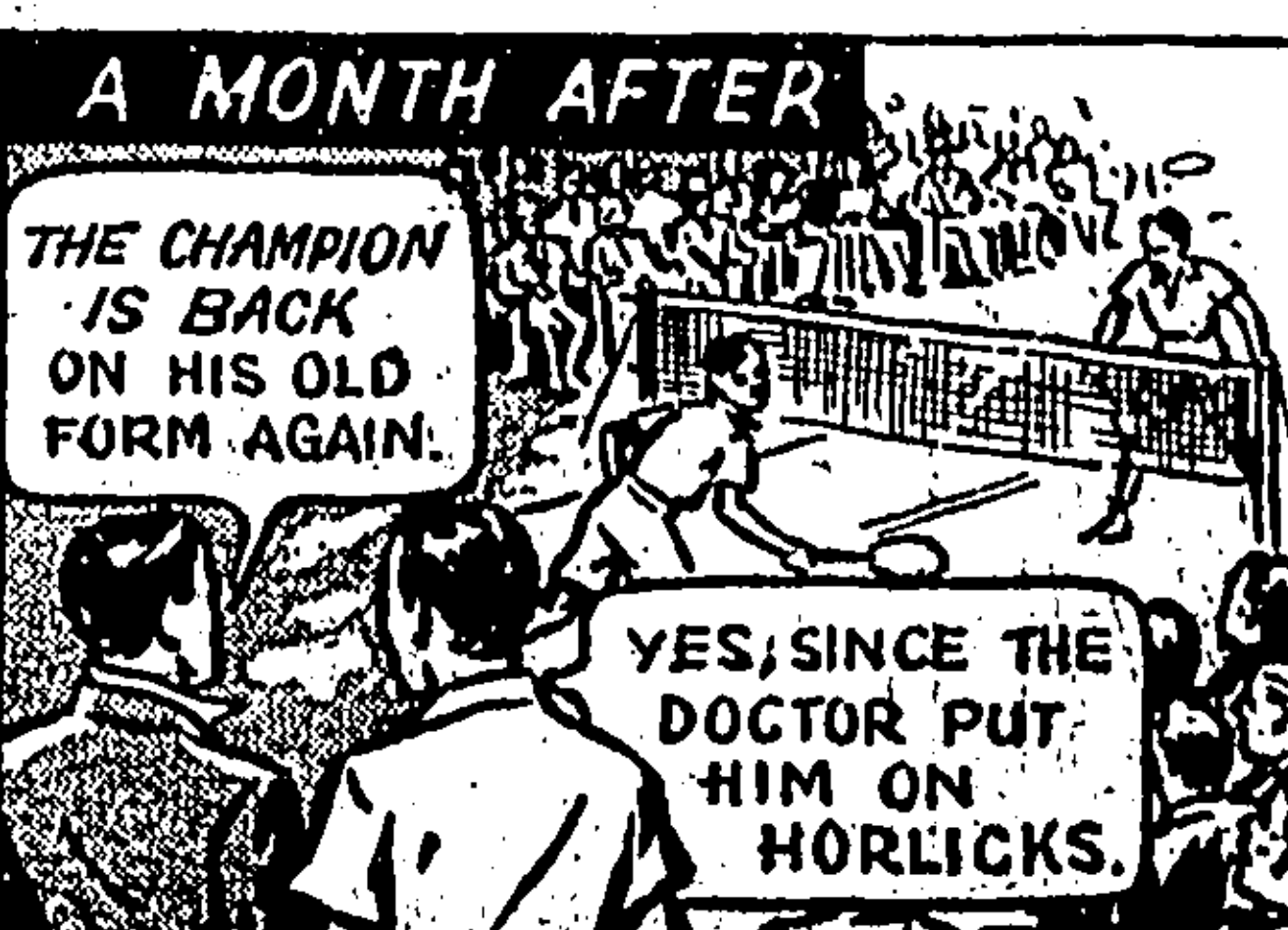
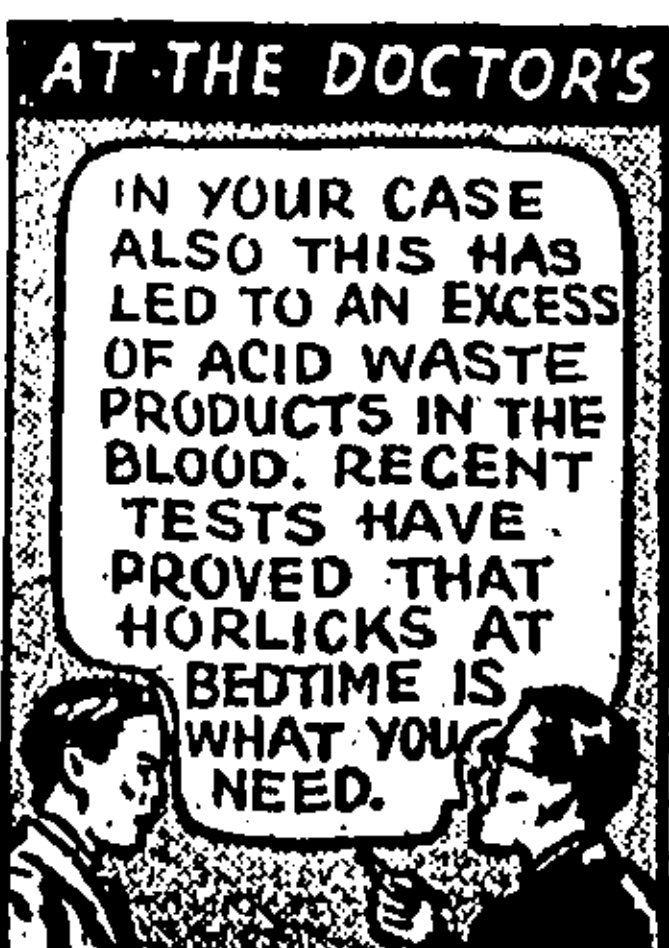
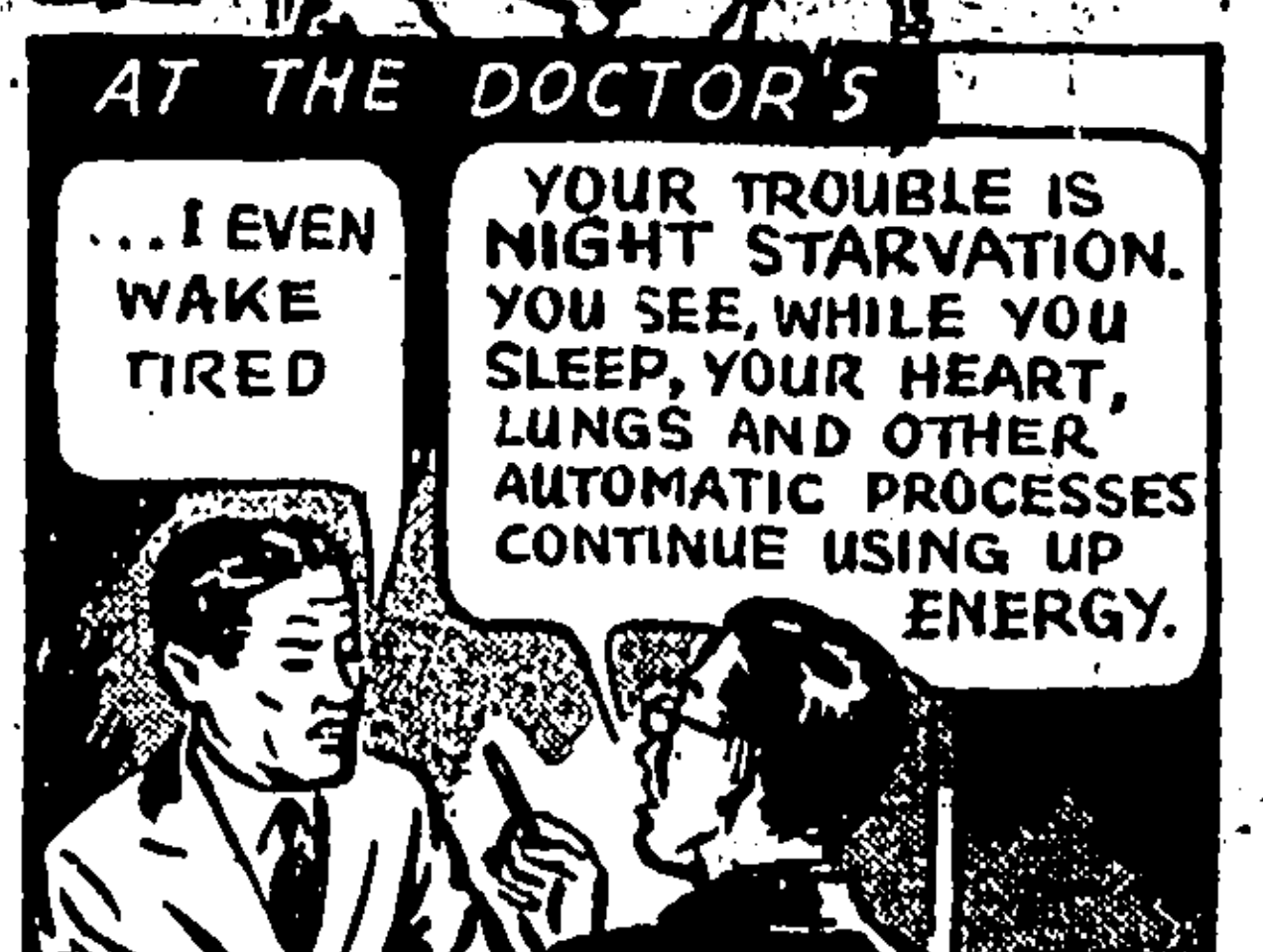
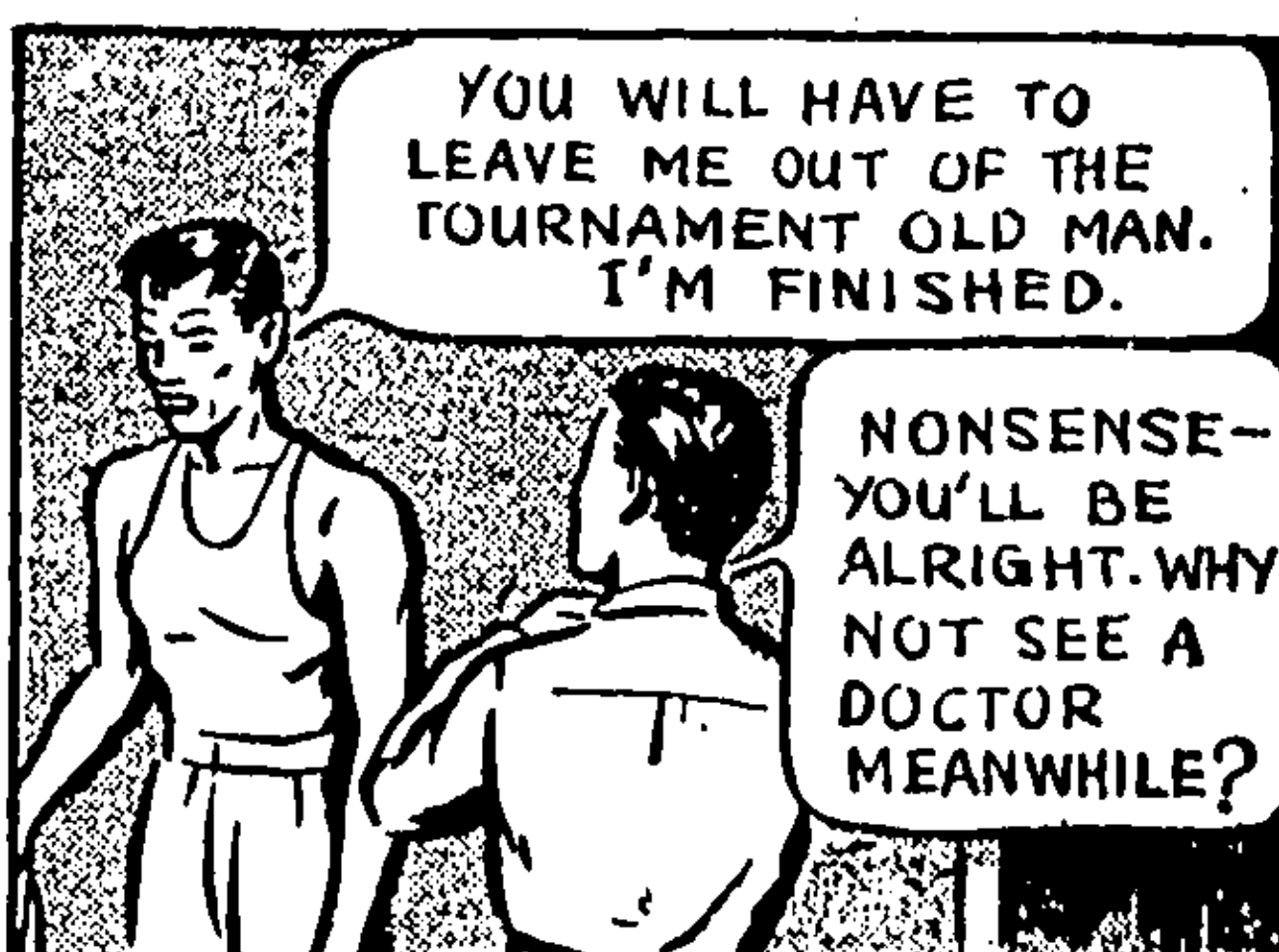
Some minutes later he saw accused wearing the raincoat on board a bus. Accused was arrested in the bus. He also attended the cinema last night.

A fine of \$5 or seven days was imposed.

GREEK CREDITS FROZEN

President Roosevelt yesterday ordered the immediate freezing of Greek credits and cash in the United States, says a Reuter message from Washington.

BADMINTON CHAMPION LOSES FORM

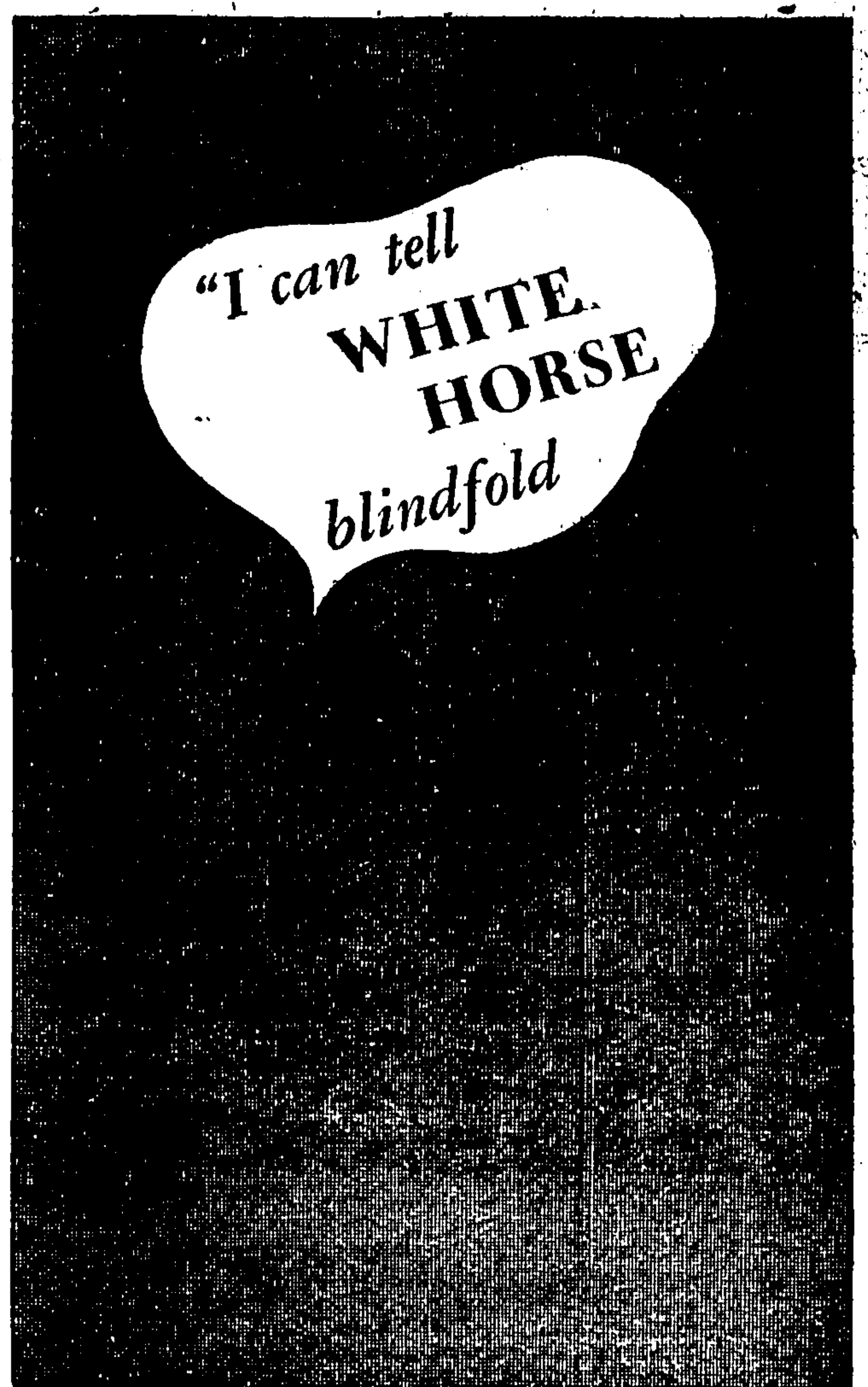


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BRIDGE NOTES

SHOWING A MAXIMUM

By The Four Aces

"Please comment on the bidding of this hand," writes a Baltimore fan. "There must be something wrong with it:

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable
♠ 7 6 5 3 2
♥ 4
♦ Q J 8
♣ A 10 8 4
N
W
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S
♠ A K J 8
♥ A 10 4
♦ K 1
♣ Q J 2

The bidding:
South West North East
1♠ Pass 2♠ Pass
3♠ Pass 3♠ Pass

"The hand makes eleven tricks, so there ought to be a way of getting to game."

We think North bid the hand too weakly. His first response to one spade might well have been two clubs, with the intention of raising spades later on. But having bid only two spades, he should have hastened to show his maximum holding for this weak bid by jumping to four spades over South's rebid of three hearts.

Such a jump would not show Slam intentions or a very fine hand or anything else that might deceive South. North's first response of two spades had already made it clear that his hand contained only a decidedly limited amount of strength. The jump would therefore show only a hand which was at or near the upper limit possible for a single raise.

South cannot be criticised for refusing to go on past three spades. North would have bid the hand the same way with the same distribution but no high cards. And then South would lose at least one diamond and three clubs.

Yesterday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ K 10 7
♥ K 5 4
♦ 6
♣ A Q J 9 8 3

The bidding:
Burnstone Jacoby You Schenker
1♠ Pass 2♠ Pass
2♠ Pass (7)

ANSWER: Bid four spades. If your partner has a rebiddable spade suit there should be an excellent play for game in the hand. To bid only three spades would risk a pass by partner. Score 100% for four spades, 70% for three spades, 0 for any other bid.

Question No. 702

To-day you are Merwin Maier's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K 10 7 6
♥ K 5 4 3
♦ 6
♣ A J 9 8

The bidding:
Maier Schenker You Jacoby
1♠ Pass (7)
What do you bid? (Answer Monday.)
To-morrow.

(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

MUST SHOW DRINK CARD

All girls who drink will have to carry official "cocktail cards" if a Bill being placed before the California State Legislature is adopted. The sponsor of the Bill proposes that girls be forbidden alcohol unless they register.

No girl would be allowed a drink until she had shown the barman her card.



These members of a theatrical costumers' staff on fire watching duty found the cloaks of "Macbeth" and "Henry IV" ideal for keeping them warm during their stay on the top of the premises.—(Copyright, Fox.)

THE BLITZ PURSUED THEM

(By A Special Correspondent)

THIS IS THE STORY of the family the blitz pursued. North, south, east and west — everywhere they went the blitz was sure to follow. They were bombed in trains, hotels, farms and relatives' homes. Then, in despair, they returned home to join the fire watch.

Cost of this "bombed out" tour was £500. And they were in more raids than friends who stayed put.

Before the blitz, father, mother and two daughters, all of independent means, lived in a town on the Bristol Channel.

They quit Bristol after the first raid there.

This is a round-by-round story of their fight to dodge the Luftwaffe.

ROUND ONE.—A bomb fell in the back garden in a south coast town, blew in all their windows.

ROUND TWO.—Caught by second Bristol blitz while bound by train for the Midlands.

ROUND THREE.—Two nights after their arrival in the Midlands, Birmingham was attacked. "Planes passing over their hotel unloaded nine H.E.s.

A daughter was cut by flying glass.

ROUND FOUR.—Machine-gunned in train on way to new home in an East Midlands resort.

ROUND FIVE.—Mine struck the docks at a west country town. Next night a raider, pursued, jettisoned its bomb load.

In Time . . .

ROUND SIX.—Arrived in Sheffield just in time for the blitz.

Relatives there had written: "We rarely hear the siren here."

Father, hit by shrapnel went to hospital for a week.

ROUND SEVEN.—"Daylight raider, jettisoning bombs, scored direct hit on farmhouse which the family had taken in North Midlands.

Family were out—for a walk. ROUND EIGHT.—On way back to their Bristol Channel home they were held up for five hours by attack on a train.

ROUND NINE.—Caught in all-night raid at Bristol when, chang-

ing trains. Mother cut by glass. ROUND TEN.—Fight stopped. Got home to find no bombs had fallen within a couple of miles of it all the time they had been running into bombs elsewhere.

YANKS ARE THERE

Among the thousands of Americans now serving with our Forces are some who have thrown up good jobs and left wives and families.

Nobody knows how many United States nationals are fighting at our side, but Mr. Robert Hutchinson, president of the American Eagle Club in London, said that there are perhaps 8,000.

"I think even that may be a conservative estimate," Mr. Hutchinson told a reporter. "They are sentimental about England."

"Most of them are serving with the Canadian Army, but two or three are in the Canadian Navy as ratings. Some are members of the Free French Forces."

DANES MAY HAVE NO GAS

The Danish Government has announced that stocks of coal are so low that gasworks in all towns in Denmark will probably be unable to supply gas.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED

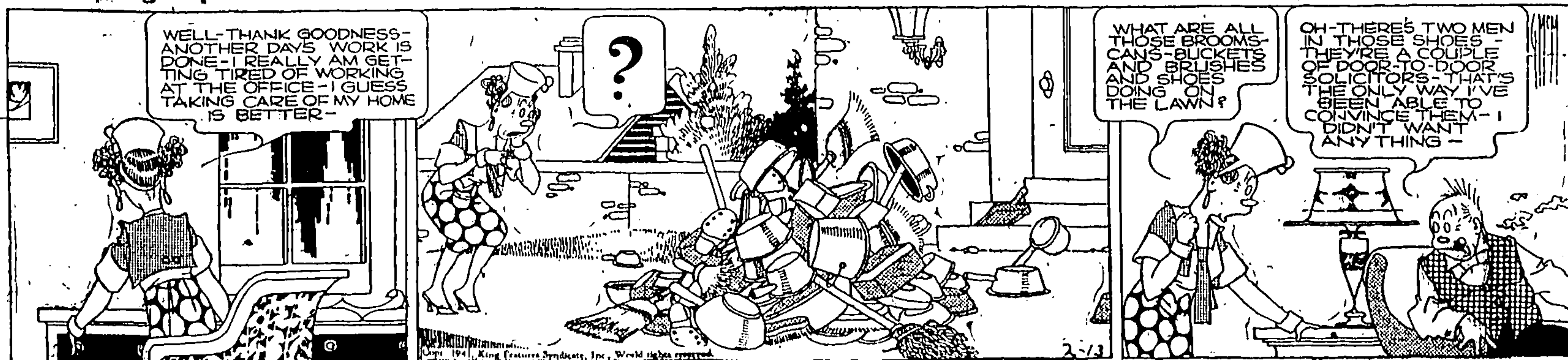


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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

How to Get Triple Duty Out Of Sewing Hours

All of us sew these days, if not for the family, for war relief. Or we knit. Our fingers are kept busy for hours at a time fashioning garments of one sort or another. You can make those hours give you triple duty if you wish.

Before sitting down to sew why not comb and pin up your hair in curlers, tie a pretty ribbon or turban about your head and slip into a comfortable but attractive housecoat. Then you will feel free to put a masque cream on your face and let it do wonders for your skin while you work.

First wash your face well with soap and water, dry it and apply a cream masque. There are several of these film-like preparations which look like cream on your face—no mud pack, no deep colour!

If your skin is very dry you could anoint it all with a fragrant body oil—give it a good massage before putting on your housecoat. Let the oil lubricate and soothe, and the fragrance of it cheer you, as your fingers fly about their task.

That is getting double duty out of the sewing hours. Now, while you sew why not listen to several several good radio broadcasts—programmes which will provide dinner conversation or interest friend husband when he comes home? Programmes which will feed your mind. Stay-at-home housewives have a tendency to grow dull because they do not take time to read current news, listen to it, or get out to a stimulating lecture or concert. Don't let that happen to you. If you do not sew or knit, then read while beauty is working.

Or you may be tutoring your young offspring. While you sew is a good time to listen to his progress or to discuss his little problems which are mighty important to him. Get the most out of



As this earnest beauty sews a spring gown, a cream face masque is beautifying her face, and wayward back curls are pinned under a ribbon band. At the end of the hour she will be groomed for the evening's fun!

your time, whatever you do, so you will not go about complaining, "I never find any time to do anything for myself that is why my hair and skin look as they do!" I'm convinced, you see, that every woman can find time to groom herself—no matter how chuck full her day!

A Screen Star's Favourite Masque

If you would like to try the home-made masque which screen

star Geraldine Fitzgerald favours, here is her recipe: Mix one teaspoonful of powdered tarracoon with a tablespoonful of cow's cream or lemon juice. Spread it on face and leave for at least a half hour, wash off with warm water and then give your skin an ice rub and complexion oil massage. Wrap an ice cube in a folded linen napkin or towel.

Pork Chops With Cream Mushroom Gravy

Of all meats, pork has perhaps the most definite flavour. It requires no "stepping up" in seasoning. Rather, anything that accompanies pork should just mingle and blend suavely with the flavour of the pork itself. Cream gravy is a perfect example.

Well, there are cream gravies and cream gravies. For delicacy of flavour and luxurious creaminess let me suggest a gravy made with condensed cream of mushroom soup.

It is easy to make because the soup as it comes from the can is already skillfully seasoned. Then, too, mushroom flavour blends well with pan browned pork chops. The dish is put together like this:

6 pork chops (cut $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 inch thick)

Flour

Salt and pepper

Wipe the pork chops with a damp cloth. Dust with flour and sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place in hot, heavy frying pan. Brown on both sides. Pour off excess fat, cover and cook slowly for about 20 minutes. Pour the hot "Cream Mushroom Gravy" over the pork chops and cook 10-15 minutes longer. Serves 5-6.

Cream Mushroom Gravy

1 can condensed cream of mushroom soup

$\frac{3}{4}$ cup milk or water

Empty the cream of mushroom soup into a saucepan and mix very well. Stir in the milk or water gradually and heat. Pour over the browned pork chops and simmer 10-15 minutes.



Dietering Dot says this reducing game would be easier for her if there was no putting off until to-morrow the things that should be begun to-day.

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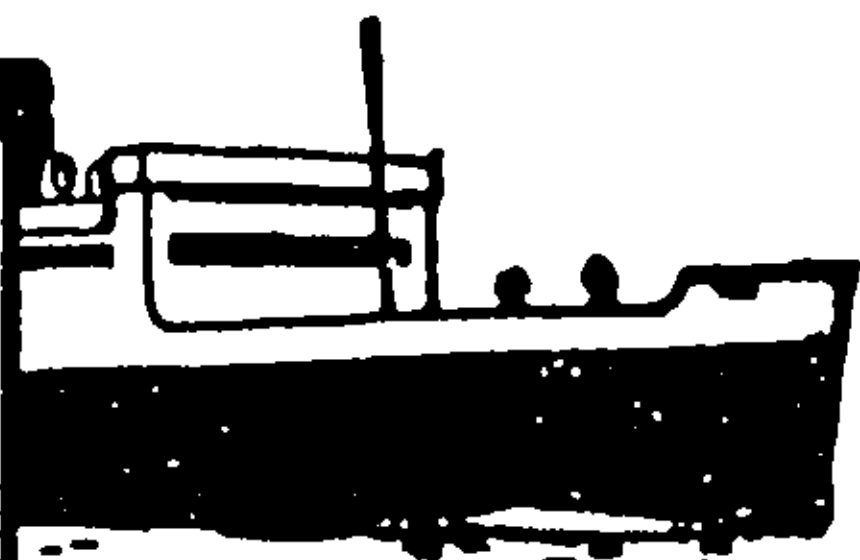
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1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal

1.01 p.m.—Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Pirates of Penzance".
Oh, Men of Dark and Dismal Fate
George Baker & Full Chorus;
You May Go, For You're at Liberty
Full Company; Oh, Dry the Glistening Tear
Elsie Griffin & Chorus of Girls; Then, Fredric, Let Your Escort, Lion-Hearted
George Baker & Derek Oldham;
When the Foeman Bares His Steel
Leo Sheffield, Elsie Griffin, Nellie Brercliffe & Chorus; Ah, Leave Me Not to Pine
Elsie Griffin & Derek Oldham; No, I Am Brave
Elsie Griffin, Leo Sheffield & Male Chorus; When A Felon's Not Engaged
Leo Sheffield & Male Chorus; To Gain a Brief Advantage
Leo Sheffield, Peter Dawson, George Baker, Elsie Griffin, Dorothy Gill & Full Chorus

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Nat Gonella and His Georgians.
Fox-Trot: Ten Pretty Girls; Fox-Trot: Oh, They're Tough-Mighty Tough in the West; Slow Fox-Trot: Makin' A Fool of Myself; Quickstep: Get Hot; Fox-Trot: Woe Is Me; Fox-Trot: Mama Don't Allow It; Quickstep: The Gypsy in My Soul; Fox-Trot: Let Us Be Sweethearts, Over Again; Fox-Trot: Peckin'.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations

6.32 p.m.—Aldershot Tattoo, 1938, Massed Bands of the Aldershot and Eastern Commands.

6.50 p.m.—Sea Shanties and Songs by Portsmouth Royal Naval Singers.
Sea Shanties—Intro.; Billy Boy; Johnny Come Down to Hilo; I'll Go No more A-Roving; Rio Grande.
Sea Songs—Intro.; Jolly Roger; Sailor's Chorus.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Questions of the Hour".

7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 p.m.—Gertrude Lawrence & Noel Coward in Variety.
Where Are the Songs We Sung...
Noel Coward (Baritone). "Crest of The Wave"—Selection... The Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra. The Physician; Experiment (both from "Nymph Errant")... Gertrude Lawrence (Vocal). Conversation Piece—Selection (Noel Coward)... Charles Prentice & His Orchestra. Mad Dogs & Englishmen; Let's Say Goodbye (both from "Words & Music")... Noel Coward (Vocal).

8.30 p.m.—An Eric Coates Programme.
Four Ways Suite—Northwards (March); Southwards (Valse); Eastwards (Eastern Dance); Westwards (Rhythm)... New Light Symphony Orchestra. Bird Songs At Eventide... Richard Crooks (Tenor). London Bridge March... New Light Symphony Orchestra. The Fairy Tales of Ireland... Essie Ackland (Contralto). By The Sleepy Lagoon... Eric Coates & Symphony Orch.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.15 p.m.—"The Hope of a New World". No. 1: "What is Wrong with the Old World". Recorded talk by the Archbishop of York.

9.32 p.m.—Magyar Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.
Far Goes The Crane; Down It Pours in the Puszt; You Were Unfaithful To Me; You Left Me, Don't Come Back; Out in the Puszt I Plough & Sow; It's A Great City; You Gave Me The First Kiss;—In the Cafe with Glittering Mirrors.

9.45 p.m.—Some Scottish Songs.
O Sing to me the Old Scotch Songs (Leeson); Ye Banks and Braes (arr. Lees)... Joseph Hislop (Tenor). Tam Glen (arr. Stephen & Burnett); Deirdie's Farewell To Scotland ("Songs of the Hebrides")... Jean Day (Soprano). An Eris-kay Love Lilt ("Songs of the Hebrides")... Joseph Hislop (Tenor).

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).
10.00 p.m.—Studio—"China Produces for Resistance". Talk by Rewi Alley.
10.10 p.m.—Hawaiian Selections with Bing Crosby (Vocal).
Fox-Trots—A Song of Old Hawaii; South of Pago-Pago... Ray Kinney & His Hawaiian Musical Ambassadors. Aloha Oe; Song of the Islands... Bing Crosby with Dick McIntire & His Harmony Hawaiians. Fox-Trot—Hawaiian Hospitality... Ronnie Munro & His Orchestra. Hawaiian Paradise (Owens)... Bing Crosby with Dick McIntire & His Harmony Hawaiians. Fox-Trots—Hawaiian Ripple; Dreams of Aloha... Noel Lane's Hawaiian Orchestra.

10.35 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—When You Wish Upon a Star; Quickstep—Give a Little Whistle (both from film "Pinocchio")... Gerald & His Savoy Hotel Orchestra; Tangos—Clasico; Llorar Y Reir... Juan Llorens & His Orchestra. Fox-Trot—My Capri Serenade; Waltz—Who's Taking You Home To-night?... Maurice Winnick & His Orchestra; Fox-Trots—Down The Trail of Dreams; Faithful Forever... The Organ, "The Dance Band & Me."

11.00 p.m.—Close down.

LAST DUTY---TO OTHER WOMAN

AFTER MANY YEARS of married life, a man left his wife, who had no children, to live with another woman by whom he had two children. When he came to make his will — he eventually committed suicide — he found himself in a dilemma between the claims of his wife and the claims of the mother of his children.

He made the will in favour of the other woman and her two children. And Mr. Justice Farwell, in the Chancery Division, considered the man's financial problem and decided that he had chosen rightly—that a moral duty might outweigh a legal obligation. The Judge dismissed an application by the wife, Mrs. Elizabeth May Joslin, of The Retreat, Bickington, near Barnstaple, who asked that reasonable provision should be made for her maintenance under the Inheritance (Family Provision) Act, 1938, from the net estate of her husband, Frederick John Joslin, who committed suicide in November 1939.

The woman with whom Joslin lived was Mrs. Hilda Manning. The will was made in her favour with reversion to the two children. His real estate was estimated for probate to be worth £2,758 and the personal estate £191, but, after payment of expenses and mortgage charges, the estate was now estimated to be £373.

Wife To Pay Costs

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice Farwell said that Mrs. Joslin had a very small income, but Mrs. Manning was penniless. In these circumstances the husband was in a dilemma. The Judge said he did not think it right in these cases to take into consideration only legal obligations.

A man in such a dilemma—which was not less difficult because he had created it himself—was entitled if he thought fit to decide that his duty was to make what little provision he could for

the other woman and children, even although his lawful wife would have to live on what little income she had.

The Judge also ruled, to prevent the provision for Mrs. Manning and her children being reduced by the costs of these proceedings, that the application should be dismissed with costs. In the circumstances the proceedings should not have been brought.

ON LEAVE AS BOMB WIPES OUT FAMILY

SAILORMAN LESLIE GEORGE HOOK, HOME ON LEAVE, WAS WARMLY WELCOMED BY HIS WIFE DORCAS, AND THEIR THREE-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER DELPHINE IN A SOUTH-WEST COAST TOWN.

Then the town had a short but sharp raid as the young father was emerging from his front door.

Rescue parties found him dead outside his home. There was no sign of his wife and daughter—until the morning, when salvage workers discovered the body of Mrs. Hook, with little Delphine clasped in her arms, on the roof of a house on the opposite side of the road.

Hitler's bombs had hurled mother and baby to death. By their side were Mr. F. Field, Mrs. Hook's father, Mrs. Field, too, was killed.

The family's house was the only one to receive a direct hit.

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PEER WROTE --FINE IS CUT

INTERVENTION BY Lord Londonderry was stated to have been responsible for the Home Secretary remitting £20 of the £25 fine imposed on an R.A.F. officer for a "practical joke."

The officer, posing as an Army intelligence officer, phoned his father that parachutists were to attack the north-east that night.

Lord Londonderry's letter, sent on behalf of R.A.F. Squadron Leader Chaplain Ernest William Lees May, was read by the magistrate's clerk at Belford Police Court, Northumberland, with other correspondence in the case.

This revealed that the magistrates had warned the Home Secretary (then Sir John Anderson) that they would give the facts full publicity, because they thought the offence too serious for the penalty to be reduced.

The Chairman when fixing May £25 on August 14, 1940, said: "The Bench is satisfied that there is no criminal or wicked intent, but that being said, the indescribable folly of the defendant's action remains and might have had consequences of the utmost gravity."

"Family Joke"

On August 26 Lord Londonderry sent Sir John Anderson a letter stating:

"Mr. May was a clergyman at Wynyard and I was very pleased indeed with him, as I think he was one of the best parsons I have ever met."

"Notwithstanding this, he has been guilty of a very silly and unkindly joke for which he certainly deserves to suffer."

"I do think, however, that the punishment far exceeds the crime, and in these days when so many of us do not know where to turn for money, I would suggest that this fine to a very large extent might be remitted."

"I am very sorry the episode occurred. It was a silly family joke."

"£25 Too Little"

On October 1 the Under-Secretary of State wrote to the justices' clerk at Belford saying that because the "whole incident was a clumsy practical joke, the Secretary of State is disposed to think that a substantial part of the fine might be remitted."

Details of the case were sent on October 10 to the Under-Secretary of State with the following comment:

"On arriving at their decision to impose a fine of £25, the magistrates regarded the action as being so reprehensible that it could not possibly be met by a small or nominal penalty and, in fact, some of the justices considered that an even larger fine than £25 should be imposed."

On November 8 the Under-Secretary of State replied recommending that £20 of the fine should be remitted.

HONG KONG EUGENICS LEAGUE

The Fifth Annual Report of the Hong Kong Eugenics League says that the League has continued to make progress. The number of patients has increased in all the Clinics by nearly one hundred per cent, and the improvement in the numbers of those returning for re-examination has been maintained.

There are now four Clinics, each holding one session per week: the Violet Peel Health Centre, under Dr. A. L. Forbes, on Thursday afternoons, the Kowloon Health Centre under the direction of Dr. I. Frommer, on Monday afternoons, the Tsan Yuk, under the direction of Dr. D. Chun on Tuesday afternoons and the Kwong Wah Hospital, under the direction of Dr. P. Rutledge on Friday mornings.

The Clinics in the Refugee Camps have been discontinued as all mothers who asked for advice on contraception have been dealt with and as the population in the Camps as far as women and children are concerned is almost stationary, the Clinics were no longer needed.

The League in cooperation with the Medical Department is pursuing the same policy advocated by the Ministry of Health in Great Britain. Health Centres have been established where mothers can attend ante-natal clinics; after the birth of the baby, they return to the Centre for advice on infant welfare and Gynaecological Clinics for post-natal care have been arranged which include advice on family planning that is, how to space children for the sake of the health and the well-being of the family. An increase in this service is urgently needed.

Appliances

The League has been successful in obtaining regular supplies of appliances from New York. It has still been possible over the last year to maintain the policy of giving free appliances to those mothers who are unable to contribute but unless there is increased financial support for the work of the League during the next year, the League will be forced to discontinue this help to poor patients. Since all sections of the community, this is the group that are most in need of our help, owing to their economic inability to support large families, it is hoped very much that our patrons of Hong Kong will be sufficiently generous to enable the League to give this free service. The policy has been that mothers with several children whose income is under \$30 a month should not be forced to pay.

The Executive Committee

The Executive Committee has continued to meet regularly during the past year at the office of the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo to whom the League is most grateful. The Committee reports with very much regret the resignation of Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, who had been the Honorary Treasurer of the League since its inception. The Committee wishes to record its deep debt of gratitude for the untiring service that Mr. Forrest has given. The Committee also wishes to express its appreciation to Miss Constance Lam, who very kindly took over the duties of Hon. Treasurer from Mr. Forrest; and to Mrs. Beryl Cryan who has given voluntary service in the Violet Peel Clinic for many months. It reports, with regret, the loss of the services of Mrs. D. E. Davis and Mrs. G. H. Hole who had given active help in the Clinics before they left the Colony.

Future Activities

The Executive Committee has retained the services of a social welfare worker, who assists in the four Clinics and pays home visits to the mothers who attend the Clinics. The Committee considers that this follow-up work is of the greatest importance and therefore is most anxious to engage a second welfare worker since it is impossible for one worker to follow up the cases of all four Clinics. The educational work of the League is limited through the lack of co-operation of Chinese educated women, who, with their knowledge of the language, customs and problems of patients could talk with them on the advantages of family planning far more effectively than European women. The League wishes to form a Committee of Chinese voluntary helpers to take over the publicity and

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FIRM TONE ON STOCK EXCHANGE

The London Stock Exchange was firmly held yesterday, heartened by the Premier's speech, but business was very quiet, being largely confined to gilt-edged, which were unchanged on the day. Among industrials, Cable and Wireless were strong and motors and some steels slightly higher. Oils were quiet, Attock and Anglo-Iranian being lower, while Kaffirs were idle. In the foreign market Egyptian Unified were firm. Wall Street was hesitant. — Reuter.

TRAPPED BY REMARK TO CLERK

A casual remark made to a counter-clerk in a small Post Office in Scotland led to Ralph Ian Smith, twenty-five, a soldier, pleading guilty at the Old Bailey to obtaining money by means of forged Post Office Savings Bank books and withdrawal forms.

Smith was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment. The total sum involved was £60.

Detective-Sergeant Pocock said that Smith told the clerk that he had come from Croydon. Later all the records of those who had left Croydon were examined and Smith was arrested.

educational work of the League.

For many years in Great Britain, women of all classes in society, whatever other duties and responsibilities they carry, have regarded this service to their own sex of primary importance.

The Committee therefore hope that in the coming year they may have more active cooperation from Chinese women so that the services of the League may be developed where they are most needed.

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AREA ATHLETIC MEETING AT SHAMSHUIPO TO-DAY

Fraser And Bankier Secure First Medal After Four Soccer Finals Lever Expected To Better Javelin Record

By "Squaddy"

I AM VERY glad to see that Sgt. Fraser, Royal Scots, and L/Cpl. Bankier, Royal Scots, have at last succeeded in getting a trophy for football. This season, they have played in four Finals —The Lai Wah Cup Final against Civilians, The Kotewall Cup Final against South China, The International Cup Final for Scotland against England, and the last Final in the Governor's Cup competition.

ATHLETICS

THE Area Athletic Meeting will commence to-day at Shamshuipo at 2.30 p.m.

It is being held on the Middlesex Regimental Sports ground owing to the uncertainty of the weather and because the Polo Club ground at Poundary Street is still waterlogged.

The events which will be held to-day are as follows:—

- 3.00 p.m. 110 Stone Tug-of-War—Semi-Final (A)
- 6.15 p.m. 110 Stone Tug-of-War—Semi-Final (B)
- 3.30 p.m. Throwing the Discus—Final
- 4.15 p.m. 2 Miles Relay—Heats
- 4.30 p.m. Putting the Weight—Final
- 6.15 p.m. 440 Yards Relay—Heats
- 6.30 p.m. Throwing the Hammer—Final

Teams for the Semi-Finals of the Tug-of-War: 8th Coast, R.A. v 5th A.A., R.A. Middlesex v 12th Coast, R.A.

Pte. Lever (Middlesex) is expected to better his last year's throw for the Javelin of 177 ft. 7 inches. He has also improved with his throwing of the Discus.

Royal Scots should win the Throwing the Hammer to-day. Last year their first string threw 117 ft. 2 inches.

The 2 Miles Relay was won last year by the 12th Coast Regt., R.A. in 8 mins. 45 1/5 secs.

The 440 Yards Relay was won by the Middlesex in 46 2/5 secs.

To-morrow the Sports will commence at 9.30 a.m., and continue until 5 p.m.

The Finals will be held on Thursday commencing at 2.30 p.m. and at the conclusion of the meeting H.E. Major-General A. E. Grasett, C.B., D.S.O., M.C. will

present the prizes to the winners of the Area Championship and winners of each event.

HOCKEY

IN the Colony six-a-side hockey tournament Middlesex Regt. "A" team emerged winners over C.B.A. by 5 points to 3 after a very fast and fine game of hockey.

The Engineers who had a chance of pulling off this tournament were knocked out in the Third Round by C.B.A.

Middlesex deserved the win and although their team was not at full strength they played well together.

Bright, their centre-forward was absent as he was playing in the Final of the Governor's Cup.

The Final match of the Large Units Hockey league will be played at Shamshuipo between the Middlesex, who are the winners of this league and either the 5/7th Rajput Regt. or the 2/14th Punjab Regt. for the Garrison Hockey Cup.

ONE GAME PLAYED

Considering the threatening weather and the extremely bad light, it was surprising that the Colony Lawn Tennis Singles Championship semi-final match between S. A. Rumjahn, the holder, and Tsui Wal-pui was allowed to start yesterday at H.K.C.C.

A handful of spectators saw Tsui win the only game played after being 40—15 down.

FRANKS TO TRAVEL MILES FOR HOME GAME

If E. Franks of Laichikok Prison decides to play Lawn Bowls this season for Prison Officers' Club, Stanley, he will have to travel more than any other bowler for a home game.

Last year A. Jilott, who was in charge of the Remand Prison at the Central Police Station, was considered the most travelled P.O.C. lawn bowler.

MACAO RACE HANDICAPS

Following are the handicaps for the Macao race meeting to be held on the Area Pista Course, Macao, on Sunday, May 4:—

"THE KWAN CHAP HANDICAP" (First Section)—Six Furlongs.

Dow-Jones (142), Heddon (142), Lancashire Chap (141), Piet Hein (159), National Success (152), New Bedford (135) and Radium Star (140).

"THE KWAN CHAP HANDICAP" (Second Section)—Six Furlongs.

Black Diamond (145), Cuban Love (135), Hopeful Time (152), Mac's Adventure (152), National Anthem (140), Sunshine Susie (140) and Sports Venture (152).

"THE KWAN CHAP HANDICAP" (Third Section)—Six Furlongs.

Cloudy Star (146), Double Up (135), Eagle (158), Iron Knight (135), National Triumph (149) and The Mermald (153).

"THE NAM WAN HANDICAP"—Six Furlongs.

King's Worthy (135), Lovely Star (159), Portrush (135), Royal Highness (135) and West Lake (142).

"THE CHAIRMAN'S CUP"—One Mile.

Country Flower (140), Coureur Bleu (140), Fairy Auk (152), Fairy Ousel (159), Hogmanay (150), Hohenfels (140), Meadow Eve (148), Merry Fatty (140), Merry Malker (140), Rothesay Bay (140), Shanghai 4 (154), Shih Yin Grand (140), Victory Life (155) and Wood Nymph (140).



POLICE BOWLS PRACTICE TO-DAY

Police Recreation Club are holding an intra-Club match to-day, after which their League teams for the coming Saturday will be selected.

Following have been asked to attend:

C. Gough, G. Perkins, A. E. Carey and E. G. Post (skip) v G. Davis, H. Brown, W. MacHardy, and W. Mair (skip).

W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd (skip) v J. Hayward, C. Pile, S. Nolan and F. C. Channing (skip).

A. Soutar, J. S. Riddell, J. McWalter and G. S. Alexander (skip) v C. Howell, R. Mackenzie, W. MacDonald and A. E. Aitken (skip).

Reserves:—R. C. Fitches, E. B. Dewar, J. Hunter, D. Taylor, A. Davitt, A. Stewart, A. Wilcox, A. Tillman, A. Smith and W. Gowan.

BADMINTON FINALS PROSPECTS DISCUSSED

By "Adrem"

THE FINALS OF THE VARIOUS COLONY CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS BEING HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF HONG KONG BADMINTON ASSOCIATION WILL BE HELD AT KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB, THIS EVENING AND ON THURSDAY.

In view of the fine displays of both men, much speculation has been caused as to the respective merits of Wong and Choy, the singles finalists.

Whereas Choy is conceded to be the more complete player, with the added asset of having an amount of stamina, Wong has earned for himself the reputation of being a dour fighter with a great defence, who has in the past, beaten many a player acknowledged as his superior. Wong's short game is also very accurate and he has the ability to vary his pace and direction with great skill.

Choy has the better smash—the best in the Colony—but Wong has shown his ability to pick up smashes at singles. I have not really seen Choy extended as yet but unless he has more up his sleeve than he has revealed thus far, I feel justified in going against public opinion and backing Wong to retain his title, although I do this with my tongue very much in my cheek.

Change Of Opinion

Prior to the display of Hooi and Miss Khoo in their semi-final against Oliveira and Miss Silva, I expected them to win the mixed doubles title. Now I am inclined to change my opinion. Miss Khoo is a good player but her positional play is very poor, whereas Mrs. Castro, her opposite number, has learned the importance of staying put at the net and thus letting her partner assume most of the work.

The strength of a chain is its weakest link and if Miss Khoo will persist in trying to match a player like Choy, her side is bound to lose.

Because of their better balance and long experience of each other's type of play, I fancy Hooi and H. F. Chew to beat Choy and K. B. Low in the other major event. Whatever happens, however, the match should be a close one.

In the minor events, Young (junior singles), Fisher and Wynter-Blyth (junior doubles), and Misses M. Silva and Miss M. Xavier (women's doubles) are favoured to secure titles.

All in all the badminton to-day and Thursday should be really first-class, with the added spice of uncertainty, and thus speculation added to provide that interest which should attract record crowds on both days.

ANOTHER MATCH TO-NIGHT

I have just been informed that Young will after all meet Chelliah in a junior singles semi-final and the match will start at 8 p.m. Following is the programme:

To-day

8.00 p.m. Junior Singles, Semi-Final:—T. S. Young (Chinese "Y") v D. Chelliah (University).

8.30 p.m. Women's Doubles, Final:—Miss M. M. Silva and Miss M. A. Xavier (Recrolo) v Mrs. Torrible and Mrs. Zimmern.

9 p.m. Men's Junior Doubles, Final:—A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter-Blyth (Kowloon C.C.) v C. C. Pereira and A. E. Xavier (Recrolo).

9.30 p.m. Men's Senior Singles, Final:—Patrick H. Wong (holder) (Chinese Y.M.C.A.) v K. W. Choy (University).

Thursday

8.30 p.m. Mixed Doubles, Final:—P. K. Hooi and Miss Ulan Khoo (University) v K. W. Choy and Mrs. Castro.

9 p.m. Men's Junior Singles,

HOW THEY REACHED THE FINAL

How to-day's finalists attained that mark:—

Women's Doubles

Miss M. M. Silva and Miss M. A. Xavier beat Miss J. Choa and Miss Churn, 15-4, 15-1; beat Miss M. Ribeiro and Mrs. O. M. Silva, 15-11, 15-12.

Mrs. Torrible and Mrs. Zimmern beat Miss M. Noronha and Miss I. Pereira, 15-2, 15-2; beat Mrs. N. Castro and Miss T. Gonzales, 15-9, 16-11.

Men's Junior Doubles

A. L. Fisher and P. Wynter Blyth beat P. A. Vyanovich and B. T. Gosano, 15-2, 15-5; beat R. M. Lavalie and N. A. Beltrao, 15-3, 15-1; beat J. L. Anderson and W. Gillies, 18-13, 18-16.

C. C. Pereira and A. E. Xavier beat J. Hooi and T. B. Teoh, 15-6, 15-11; beat P. C. Leung and K. F. Chiu, 11-15, 15-17, 18-17; beat T. S. Young and M. K. Fung, 15-12, 15-8.

Men's Senior Doubles

K. W. Choy and K. B. Low beat J. J. Remedios and H. F. Gonsalves, 15-4, 15-10; beat P. Wong and C. Au, 17-15, 15-7.

P. K. Hooi and H. F. Chew beat C. Y. Yung and S. Koh, 15-12, 15-8; beat M. P. Yoong and Y. P. Yoong, 15-4, 15-11.

Final:—T. S. Young (Chinese Y.M.C.A.) v A. L. Fisher (Kowloon C.C.).

9.30 p.m. Men's Senior Doubles, Final:—P. K. Hooi and H. F. Chew (University) v K. W. Choy and K. B. Low (University).

BADMINTON "GREENS" AWARDED

Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo and Mr. George She were unanimously elected honorary legal advisers of the Hong Kong University Athletic Association at the second Council Meeting held recently, at the Union Assembly Room.

It was also decided that Messrs. P. S. Bun, M. S. Lim and H. F. Chew be awarded the badminton "green" for their remarkable skill in the game.

Mr. T. T. Lim was given a tennis "green." The meeting was presided over by Mr. K. S. Oh, President of the Association.

K.F.C. BOWLS TEAM FOR TO-MORROW

Following have been chosen to represent K.F.C. against the Kowloon Dockers R.C. at Hung Hom to-morrow at 5.15 p.m. sharp:

A. MacIntyre, C. Dowman, R. Ferguson and W. Simpson (skip), A. Lapsley, V. Attenza, V. Chittenden and W. Field (skip).

W. Naef, A. Eastman, P. Younghusband and E. Kern (skip).

The presentation of prizes for Cricket, Tennis, Bowls and Billiards will be held at Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday.

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There are about 140 apprentice-jockeys weighing between 5st 7lb and 8st. Only a small proportion of apprentices secured peacetime opportunities, but now nearly all will be given engagements. Those who have ridden winners are certain of plenty of riding.

Gordon Richards, who has been the champion jockey for many years, volunteered for service, but was rejected. He will be riding this season. Other prominent jockeys will don the silks when leave permits. Owners, trainers and everybody concerned in racing have fallen into line.

Restricted Fixtures

The Jockey Club's policy, with the Government's approval, provides a restricted fixtures list for the season's first three months. This policy might be defined as one which has solely racing's business needs in mind, including the future of the breeding industry.

Horses in training in 1941 number about 2,300, about a quarter of the number in training two years ago. Entries for Lincoln, the season's opening meeting, are about half the pre-war strength. The jumping season now ending has been remarkably successful, and there have been large crowds despite the transport restrictions. As many as 40 starters have competed in some hurdles and steeplechases. Fields of 30 were common.

Miss Dorothy Paget often has several starters in a race. She had three winners at a recent meeting. It is evident that racing, apart from the breeding viewpoint, provides relief from war strain, which members of the fighting services, both men and women, also business men, welcome. There are at least two greyhound meetings in the London area daily. These are held in the afternoons, and night workers mostly attend them.

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Chelsea v Queen's Park
Arsenal v Tottenham

Football League (South)

Bournemouth v Southampton
Brighton v Watford
Luton v Portsmouth
Norwich v Southend

South Regional League

Aldershot v Fulham
Crystal Palace v Clapton Orient
Northampton v Millwall
Reading v West Bromwich Albion
Westham v Brentford



North Regional League

Barnsley v Chesterfield
Blackpool v Manchester City
Bradford v Rotherham
Bury v Oldham
Halifax v Middlesbrough
Manchester United v Liverpool
Newcastle v Leeds
Preston v Blackburn Rovers
Rochdale v Wrexham

Regional Match

Chester v Stoke City
Doncaster v Mansfield Town

West Regional League

Bristol City v Cardiff City
Lovells Athletic v Bath City

Midland Cup Final

Leicester City v Walsall

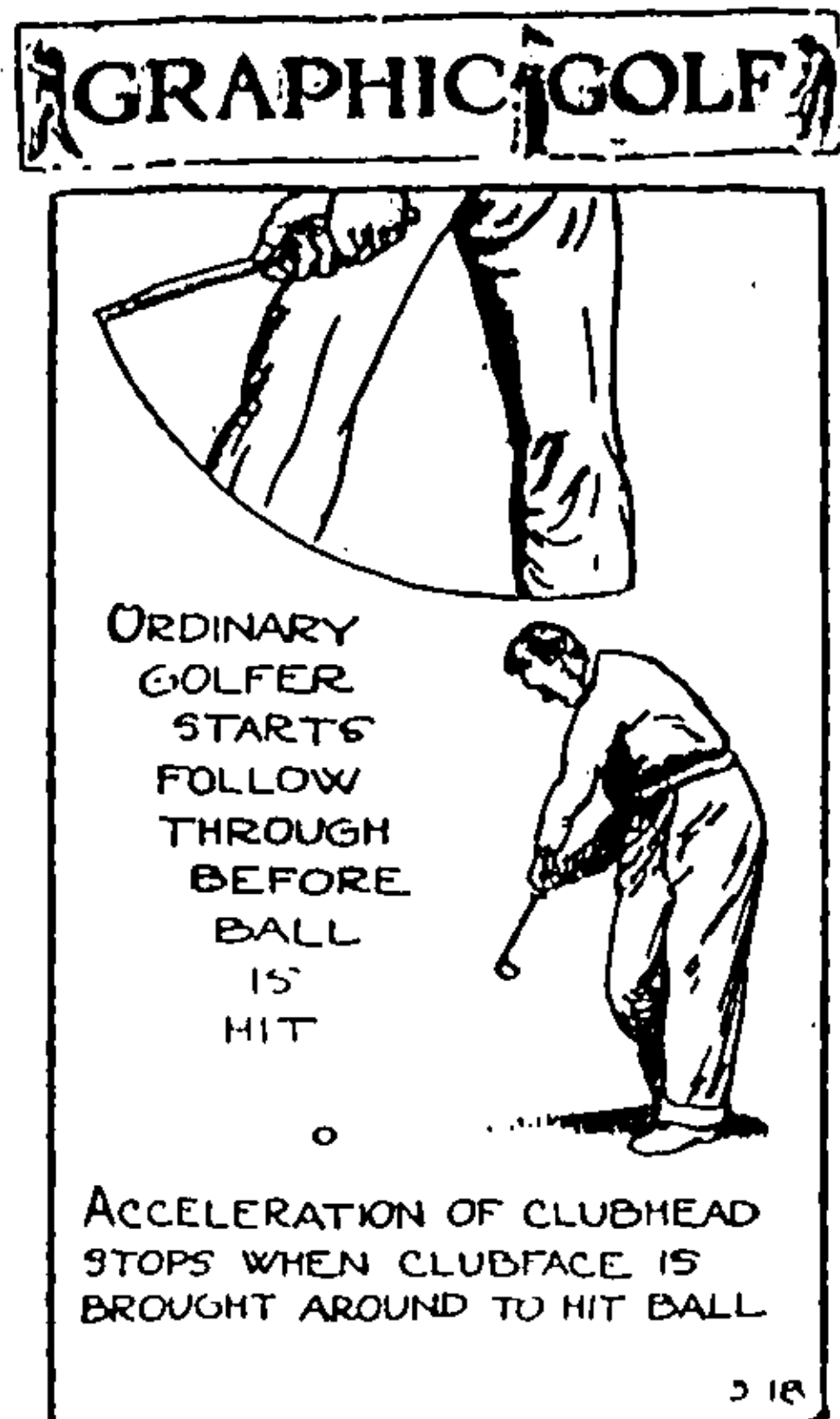
Lancashire Cup (Second Round)

Everton v Burnley

Scottish South League

Albion Rovers v Dumbarton
Hearts v Queen's Park
Saint Mirren v Third Lanark

—Reuter.



Where Acceleration Slows Up

By BEST BALL

The average golfer is often guilty of making his follow through even before the ball has been hit. This may sound incongruous but timing devices on high speed cameras have proved it so. There is a marked decrease in the acceleration of the clubhead prior to impact. There is also a decrease in the velocity of the clubhead but this is noticeable later.

The acceleration seems to slow up at the time the wrists start to turn in order to bring the clubface to the ball at right angles. Apparently the wrist roll used in rotating the club at this point interferes with imparting more acceleration to the clubhead. Thus the golfer in reality has expended his energy before impact with the ball is made.

Next Article.—Path of Clubhead.

JUNIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

The most important fixture in the Colony Junior Chess Championship p this week, is likely to be played off to-day, between A. Y. Biriukoff and To Yu-lau. The Chinese player is Biriukoff's only remaining formidable opponent and the loss of a point will bring him within reach of four other players—Un Kwai-yung, To Yu-lau, Tausz and Danenberg. These four have lost two points each in seven games and are well placed for the remaining rounds.

Other games for the week are the following:—J. H. d'Almeida v A. Kurrik, R. C. Danenberg v Un Kwai-yung, J. Tausz v A. Morton, E. M. Petrove v V. V. Kolatchoff, and R. C. Gardner v Wm. Lee.

	P	W	D	L	Pts
A. Y. Biriukoff	8	6	1	1	6½
Un Kwai-yung	7	5	0	2	5
To Yu-lau	7	4	2	1	5
J. Tausz	7	5	0	2	5
R. C. Danenberg	7	4	2	1	5
J. Grefalda	8	4	2	2	5
A. Kurrik	9	3	3	3	4½
V. V. Kolatchoff	8	2	2	4	3
Wm. Lee	9	3	0	6	3
E. M. Petrove	6	2	1	3	2½
A. Morton	5	0	1	4	1½
R. C. Gardner	3	0	0	3	0
J. H. d'Almeida	6	0	0	6	0

HOME RACING

The following are the probable starters and jockeys for 2,000 Guineas which will be run to-morrow.

Mister Sawyer (Bridgland), Usenge (E. Smith), Devonian (Perryman), Selim Hassan (Beary), Sollum (C. Richards), Starwort (J. Taylor), King's Jester (Gethin), Annatom (S. Wragg), Morogoro (H. W. A. Ragg), Owen Tudor (Gordon Richards), Burn-Ingbow (Lowrey), Sun Castle (Beasley), Orthodox (D. Smith), The Derby Star (Maher), Sun Ray (A. W. Ragg), Camperdown (Littlewood), Chanda (Lacey), Sunny Island (Nevett), Lambersimnel (Elliot), Fairy Price (Lane).—Reuter.

Ryan Fails In Eighth Round

At Nottingham recently Jackie Paterson retained his British and Empire fly-weight championship, defeating Paddy Ryan on a technical knock-out.

The referee stopped the bout with Ryan helpless midway through the eighth round.

Paterson demonstrated to me two things (writes Norman Hurst) — that he is a great and worthy champion and that, provided he can continue to make it, there is no man at the weight in the world who can beat him.

Ryan did fairly well for the first three rounds. Then in the fourth he ran into his old trouble, cuts over his eyes.

These cuts were brought about through fair and legitimate punches. So far as Ryan was concerned it was just tough luck.

Only One Result

From the fourth round onwards it was plain he was wearying, and his gameness and willingness were not enough against the snappy and precise punching of the champion.

There were two highlights in the fight in the sixth round and in the last round.

In the sixth round Ryan started an attack, but suddenly Paterson sent him to the ropes with a hard left to the jaw. The Irish lad pluckily tore back

to attack, and Paterson measured him with a terrific left to the jaw as he came in followed by a right to the body, and Ryan went clean over the bottom rope on to the outside platform, gripping the bottom rope to save himself from rolling on to the floor.

Game To End

Ryan managed to boat the count, but he was wobbly-kneed and glassy-eyed as he pulled himself erect.

It was a question of how long the little battler could withstand the fury of the cool, deadly attack of the title-holder.

He was battered around the ring so badly that there were cries of "Stop it" from the crowd.

It was plain, however, the end was in sight. It came in the eighth.

TUNNICLIFFE HAS NARROW ESCAPE

I hear from Sir Stanley Jackson that old friend John Tunnicliffe, one of the greatest of Yorkshire opening batsmen, was buried for three and a half hours in an air raid but survived, writes a Home correspondent.

Long John, of Pudsey, now 74 (ye gods, how tempus fugit), very long and lean with telescopic arms, a terror in the slips, where, with Wainwright as second gravedigger, they snapped over 900 victims between them.

John was an earnest Nonconformist, and often preached on Sundays during tours.

Tunnicliffe and Brown's first-wicket 554 stood up as a record for 34 years, when another Pudsey man called Sutcliffe beat it by one run with Holmes in the partnership.

Remember the heartbreak that one run caused? When the scoreboard said 555, Sutcliffe (312) threw his wicket away. Then scorers broke the news that the board had one run too many up — anxious conference.

Later a missing no-ball was traced, the books put right, and Yorkshire breathed again.

A Physical Training Display will be held by the C. M. S. Heep Yun School on the school grounds (near Kowloon City), on Saturday, from 3 to 4.30 p.m.

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DAYLIGHT RAID ON EMDEN

Low Altitude Bombing By Stirling Aircraft

NATIONAL GOVERNMENT IN AUSTRALIA

Mr. D. O. Watkins, Member of the House of Representatives for Newcastle (New South Wales), one of the strongest Labour constituencies, declared in Sydney yesterday that Labour should either attempt to govern or enter a National Government.

He is the first Labour member to express publicly views which are held privately by many other Labour members. — Reuter.

SLIGHT AIR ACTIVITY

GERMAN AIR ACTIVITY OVER BRITAIN YESTERDAY WAS VERY SLIGHT.

A few bombs were dropped on the north-east coast of Scotland and the east and north-east coast of England but very small damage was done.

A few were injured, says the official British communique. — Reuter.

Offensive Patrols Over France

A NEW STIRLING BOMBER of the R.A.F. Bomber Command carried out a daring and successful daylight attack on Emden yesterday, it is learned in London.

The aircraft came down to a low altitude, dropped a heavy load of bombs and then opened machine-gun fire from a height of 1,500 feet.

Defying a heavy storm of A.A. fire, British Blenheim bombers yesterday pressed home an attack from a low altitude on two enemy destroyers escorting supply ships off the Dutch coast.

Their bombs were seen to strike home and one of the enemy warships was later seen spouting a great volume of smoke and came to a standstill, says an Air Ministry communique.

Four aircraft are missing. Bombs were dropped on a factory and railway yards at Moppel, near the Zuyder Zee, and other targets were Den Helder dock and De Kooy aerodrome. One aircraft is missing.

Offensive Patrols

British fighters destroyed an enemy bomber off the Dutch coast. One fighter is missing.

It is also believed the R.A.F. carried out offensive patrols on the other side of the Channel again yesterday.

There was considerable air activity over the Straits of Dover and the south-east coast of England.

Small formations of British fighters and a group of bombers with a fighter escort were seen flying towards the French coast. — Reuter.

Cologne Raid

A daring attack in daylight was made on Sunday by aircraft of the Bomber Command on an industrial plant in the neighbourhood of Cologne with skilful use of cloud cover, states the Air Ministry news service.

After an outward journey of nearly 300 miles the British aircraft flashed out of the clouds and dropped on the factory buildings. A military dump just north of Cologne was also bombed.

De Kooy aerodrome and docks at Ijmuiden were also attacked, and other aircraft swept the French coast for enemy shipping.

An enemy patrol vessel of about 1,250 tons was sighted a few miles south of St. Mathieu Point and there was an immediate engagement. The ship put up a vigorous defence which continued until a heavy bomb exploded amidships. — British Wireless.

LINDBERGH LETTER TO PRESIDENT

In his letter to President Roosevelt, tendering his resignation, Colonel Lindbergh said "Your remarks at the White House at a press conference on April 25, involving my Reserve commission, disturbed me greatly

"I had hoped I might exercise the right as an American citizen to place my point of view in peacetime without giving up the privilege of serving my country as a member of the Air Corps, and in view of the other implications you, my present superior officer, made concerning my loyalty to my country, my character and my motives, I see no honourable alternative other than tendering my resignation as colonel in the Air Corps Reserve.

"I take this action with the utmost regret for my relationship with the Air Corps was one of the things that meant most to me in my life.

"I place it second only to my right as a citizen to speak freely to my fellow countrymen and discuss with them the issues of war and peace which confront the nation in this crisis.

"I will continue service to my country to the best of my ability as a private citizen." — Reuter.

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STOP PRESS

Sixteen cases of cholera with 12 deaths were recorded by the Health Authorities last week, in addition to 208 cases of tuberculosis with 137 deaths, 21 of enteric fever with six deaths, 14 of diphtheria with three deaths, and five of cerebro-spinal fever with two deaths.

Yesterday six fresh cases—three from Victoria and three from Kowloon—of cholera were registered.

AXIS AGAIN STALLED IN BATTLE OF EGYPT

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Call For Help

The announcer described how detachments of Storm Troops were sent out in pitch darkness following a call for help from a German wireless car.

The car was found empty but there was no sign of the British. Suddenly there were heavy detonations from several places.

The announcer claimed that eventually one major, two captains and 65 other ranks were captured. — Reuter.

Not Advancing

Although the situation around Sollum is not clear there seems little doubt that the enemy is not pushing forward the advance made on Saturday evening, when detachments penetrated five or six miles across the frontier on which Sollum is situated.

Latest information from Cairo shows that the R.A.F. is busy harassing the enemy's efforts to reinforce advanced elements. — British Wireless.

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